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CHAMBERLAIN SPEECH APPROVED IN FRANCE

United States Inclines To Be Disappointed

Refusal Of Clear Undertaking To Czechoslovakia

London, To-day.

It is generally felt in Paris that Mr. Neville Chamberlain's statement in the Commons was a distinct step forward and a severe warning to would-be aggressors, that he intends nothing running contrary to French interests, but rather intends safeguarding those of France.

It is felt in the French capital that Britain will be at France's side in the hour of need.

Special stress is laid on the passage in Mr. Chamberlain's speech in which the Prime Minister, after mentioning the national interest, said there were other causes for which Britain might fight.

ROME PLEASED

The speech has caused profound satisfaction and relief in Rome where it is felt it will deter the French from attempting to intervene in Spain to prevent a Franco victory.

The reference to the Anglo-Italian talks and the indication of the good faith of the Italian Government, are received with pleasure.

The refusal to give an automatic undertaking to Czechoslovakia is regarded as wise avoidance of a course which would have brought Europe nearer to war, while rejection of the Soviet proposal for a conference is approved.

GENEVA VIEW

Geneva regards the declaration regarding Czechoslovakia as categorical as had been feared. It pointed out that Mr. Chamberlain did not rule out British fulfilment of League obligations.

While disappointed at the renewed insistence on non-intervention and rejection of the Russian initiative, League of Nations circles realise that Britain's increasing strength may prove the most tranquilising factor in Europe.

Reports from Germany and Czechoslovakia encourage the be-

U.S. DISAPPOINTED

Washington, To-day.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech has been received with some disappointment here, as it had been expected it would clearly enunciate the issues for which Britain would fight, and would produce a determination of a European crisis by telling the Dictators the point beyond which they had better not go.

The State Department has not commented on the speech, but it is no secret that the U.S. Government regards a clear enunciation of British policy as one of the prerequisites of lessening European tension.—Reuter.

(Mr. Chamberlain's Declaration will be Found in Page Eleven)

CHINESE DOLLAR DROPS SHARPLY

Shanghai, To-day.

No figures were announced regarding to-day's allotment of foreign exchange by the Central Bank of China.

The market was very disappointed, judging from the rates quoted in the open market, namely

Sterling 1/0-1/8, buyers; and U.S. dollars 26 3/4.—Reuter

NEW CRACK DIVISIONS ON TSINPU FRONT

Hankow, To-day.

A telegram received at General Chiang Kai-shek's headquarters from General Li Tsung-ien, commander-in-chief of the Chinese forces on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front, states that the Japanese forces are concentrating at Yihsiien, north-east of Hsuehau, as the Chinese troops are launching an attack in the direction of Yihsiien.

The Japanese are reported to be setting fire to buildings inside the city in preparation for street fighting.

Chinese defence of the railway north of Hsuehau and Han-chwang is now secure.

NEW TROOPS TAKING OVER

The report said that following the arrival of crack Central Government divisions, commanded by General Tang Er-po, who distinguished himself in the defence of Nankou Pass last August,

NO GENERAL WARNING TO BRITONS

London, To-day. The Vienna correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" denies rumours that British travellers in Austria have been warned by the British Consular authorities to leave the country.

The British Consulate in Vienna says the correspondent denied that it has issued such a warning.

The report apparently arose out of enquiries received at the Consulate from parents in England regarding the safety of their daughters who were holidaying in Austria. In this case, the Consulate advised that it would be better that the girls returned to England.

No general warning, however, has been issued to Britons in Austria.—Trans-Ocean.

General Tang's divisions are taking over the positions from the Szechuan troops who have suffered heavy casualties during the past fortnight.—Reuter.

"SAFEMILK"

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Recipe For Popularity

Beauty Is No Longer Enough

"Women may as well learn right after a single pattern, make up and now, for it has to be accepted by them some day in their careers, that there is more to life, to their lives in particular, than the hectic pursuit of pictorial effects with the object of attracting attention, interest in them and admiration for them."

So spoke one whose international reputation as an entertainment promoter entitles her to an unusual position from which to observe the feminine sex as it angles for effect and a place in the sun.

"What do you think," she asks, "is the reason why one woman without beauty, without any particular style in dress, can descend upon a roomful of smartly gowned and more beautiful women and, in no time, capture the whole gathering?"

"Because she brings something to that gathering besides a dress 'up mannequin picture. She's amusing or she is extremely gracious, or she is doing something unusual and fascinating. She is interesting, and that's why she can conquer every beauty every time."

NEEDS MORE THAN LOOKS

The authority quoted was speaking of the older woman in whose efforts to attempt to rival the pictorial qualities of younger ones she sees social suicide, so to speak.

"Naturally the older woman must do all in her power to make herself presentable and personally attractive. But that's not enough. She must be something, do something, be entertaining, amusing, gay, witty, or be that reverse type whose quiet grace and poise, and consuming interest in life, and people endow her with the ability for getting on with people without any apparent effort on her part to please. The same goes for younger women to-day, too."

At the present time, our authority observes, the truly popular one is the woman who can make people laugh, who can cheer up a worried world, who can infect others with her well trained optimism.

"And I say 'trained optimism,'" she explains, "because one of the most socially successful women I know did just that. She trained herself to be an optimist."

IT'S AN EAR DECADE

If you want people to turn away from you in a hurry and seek more congenial associates, just dwell on the darker themes of life, the hard times, the dreadful goings-on of a lost generation, the bitter affronts to which you may have been subjected.

"Typhoid Mary's" is the name for such, our authority says, because their disease is contagious and no one is forewarned by outward appearance.

It's an "ear" decade, we are informed, rather than an "eye" one. The eye is rated with decorative women, regiments of them who dress

after a single pattern, make up and dress their hair after a uniform mode, whose idle chatter follows a peculiarly uniform pattern. After a while they become like a decorative chair or other bit of furnishing which holds interest only so long and no longer.

MUST COME BEARING GIFTS

Some women are exactly like that. "How lovely to look at!" you exclaim, and then pass on, forgetful of their existence because they have no more to give than line and material.

"No truer words ever were spoken," this authority continues, "than those about the eye being quickly seized if the ear is not offered sustenance. The woods are cluttered with women who offer no 'ear' sustenance."

"I say again that women, the older women especially, must learn that beauty is no longer enough. They must bring more to a gathering. They must come bearing gifts of their own creation."

"It may be a native talent or a cultivated one. It may be an interest that is amusing or instructive. It may be a supergrace, such as listening and laughing intelligently. It may be that gorgeous gift of rare good nature that attracts. It may be the sheer vitality of those who find much in life to enjoy."

"It can't be dullness. It can't be silly prattle, nor can it be cattiness or cheap wise-cracking just to talk. It can't be off-coloured humour which, on woman's lips, always is offensive. It can't be the loud laughter that bespeaks the hollow mind. It can't be affectation. Never that. It has been 'out' for years. It can't be family name and record, since to-day it's what one does with her own life that counts. It can't be recitals of woe or of operations, since all have their quota of each."

REGISTRY MARRIAGE

The marriage of Mrs. Florence Fung, daughter of Mr. Fung Kee Chin, to Mr. Chan Chung Cheong, son of Mr. Chan Hin Wan, took place at the Registry at 3.30 p.m. yesterday.

The ceremony which was performed by the Deputy Registrar, Mr. W. A. Jones, was witnessed by the fathers of both bride and groom.

The bridegroom is associated with Messrs. The Office Appliance Company.

WALK TO REDUCE

Walking will help you to reduce, but you must walk briskly, swing the arms and hold your head erect and breath deeply. Continue walking until you can do three miles at a stretch without getting winded.



COCOA BROWN MOUSSELINE DE SOIR fashions the dinner gown worn by Billie Burke, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer player, over a fitted taffeta slip. The transparent material has a fitted bodice and a full skirt falling in folds to the floor and features a slight train. A flare collar, long tight fitted sleeves with ruching around the wrist are of interest as is the brown velvet ribbon detail around the top of the bodice. Miss Burke wears a double strand of pearls.

I'D MISS MY MISS Says This Married Woman

To be called Madam for the first time was, if reports be true, the crowning triumph of a girl's life up to a generation ago. In the dim, dead Victorian days, when women were dubbed matrons in their twenties, took to bonnets and footstools in the thirties, and thereafter Let the World Go By, Madam was a dattering designation. It was a rosy aura round that so over-whomingly fat gold wedding ring.

Newly married from the schoolroom, the breathless little chit of a girl in those days would wait all of a twitter until the old family nurse or coachman or the porter at the station first called her Madam, and thereby confirmed her in her proud new dignity and status.

If Miss slipped out thereafter from any lips, it was a major calamity. It was a direct blow at that solidly built-up dignity and ascendancy that came with being married.

MEKE MADAM

It all seems so funny now. It's all so wildly at variance with the attitude of our generation.

After being married for six years, I don't think any of the gratuitous pleasures life offers me pleases me half so much as the fact that I'm still regularly called Miss.

Although sometimes a doubt creeps in.

It is nice, for instance, to be told by a grossly inefficient elderly charwoman, "I'm sorry, Miss, I know I ought to call you Madam, but it does give one hope."

it don't seem right." But I have an uneasy feeling that this means that another of my best plates has gone beyond recall or that that recent smell of burning means a hot coal dropped on my new carpet. That she is, in short, a bit of a psychologist. And one does not expect one's charwoman to be anything but a charwoman, and a good one if possible.

DO YOU DANCE?

And then, again, there was that unfortunate episode with the young man in the lift. He was a nice, cheerful young man, and after I had met him in the lift for the fourth time, with the operator's polite "Good day, Miss, ringing in my ears, we exchanged views on the weather. A fortnight after that we had reached the phase of "Do you dance?"

He was very charming. But what hopes of our acquaintanceship he had entertained I shall never know. For the day after we discussed dance steps my husband came up in the lift with me and pointedly discussed the baby. Never have I seen a man's expression change so rapidly.

TWENTIES PAST

Well, my twenties are nearly past, but Miss still shows no signs of fading out into Madam.

I might even be able to sustain it with care until I'm nearing the forties, since a defending counsel the other day described a witness as "this beautiful girl of thirty." I know that he was trying to per-

suade a possibly reluctant jury, but know I ought to call you Madam, but it does give one hope.

Learn Dancing With Me!

By Santos Casani

(Famous Teacher of Dancing)

RHYTHM OF THE RUMBA

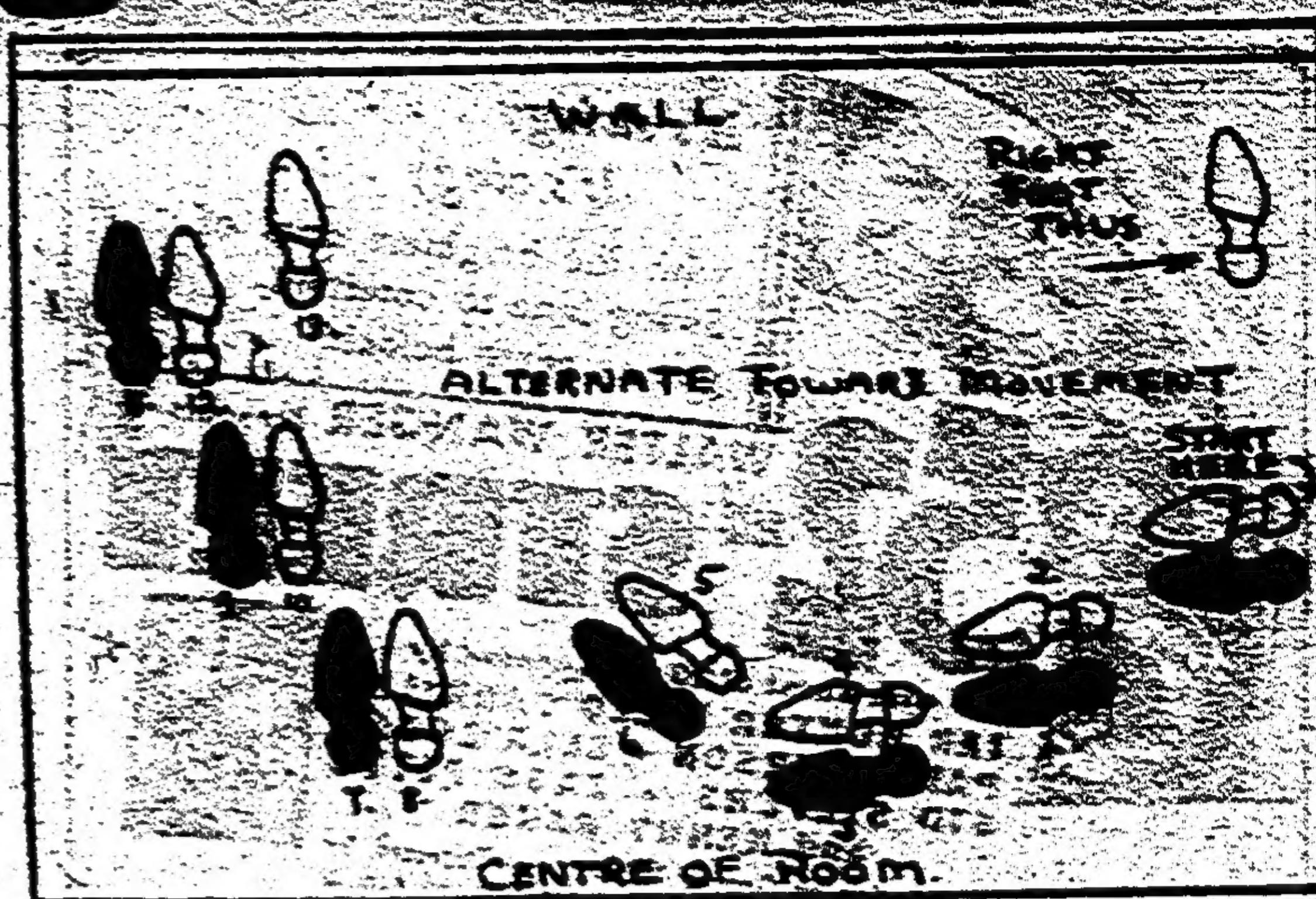
It has always been a mystery to me that English dancers should think the Rumba hard to dance. Maybe because the dance hailed from the exotic scenes of South America it was thought to be a dance in which exaggerated "temperament" was essential, but, on the contrary, it has always been my opinion that the Rumba is by far the easiest of all the modern dances. The music of the Rumba, too, has a peculiar fascination, and it is stimulating. Rumba music is written in 4-4 (common) time.

Rumba steps are counted in Both partners relax their knees Quick-taking one beat of music, and lean slightly backwards, letting and Slows taking two beats of music. Thus three step counted Quick, Quick, Slow, take one bar of music. Now start learning with me the Cuban Rumba.

THE HOLD

Hold your partner about a foot away from you. Your Left hand holds her Right hand just as in the other dances, and can be held at any convenient height. Your Right hand will hold her at any comfortable position between the waist and the Left shoulder blade. dance itself.

Both partners relax their knees and lean slightly backwards, letting the hips come slightly forwards and the shoulders a little back, so that they feel comfortably balanced over their heels. The lady Must lean back a little on to the man's Right hand, while her Left hand will rest somewhere about his Right elbow according to the respective lengths of arm. She must retain this position always, for if she allows her weight to come forward she cannot feel her partner's lead. Please get this position right, and then you will have nothing to worry about in the



ALTERNATE FORWARD MOVEMENT

1, 2, 3, 4 Repeat the first 4 steps of the Forward Movement.

5. Step to the side of the Right foot—Quick

6. Close the left foot to the Right foot but don't put it down—Quick

Now step forward on the Left foot and repeat.

SIDE STEP

Turn slightly to the Right so that you face the Right Hand Wall of the room on step No. 5, of the proceeding movement. Follow with step No. 6. Now step to the side with the Left foot and do exactly the same steps as in the Alternative forward movement, but traveling sideways along your Line of Dance. From here go into

THE RIGHT TURN

1. Small step to the side on the Left foot turning a very little to the Right—Quick

2. Close the Right foot to the Left foot—Quick

3. Step back on the Left foot along Line of Dance. Slow

4. Bring the Right foot a few inches to the side of the Left foot turning a little to the Right. It will be more comfortable if you take it just a trifle back also—Quick

5. Close the Left foot to the Right foot—Quick

6. Forward on the Right foot—Slow

Repeat these six steps as often as you like, using 3 or 4 times to make one complete turn. Having done this you will be forward on your Right foot and facing your Line of Dance. Now you can go into your Forward Movement again and follow it with a

LEFT TURN

Step forward on the Left foot. Slow. Now do exactly the opposite to the Right turn—

1. Side Right. Quick

2. Close Left to Right. Quick

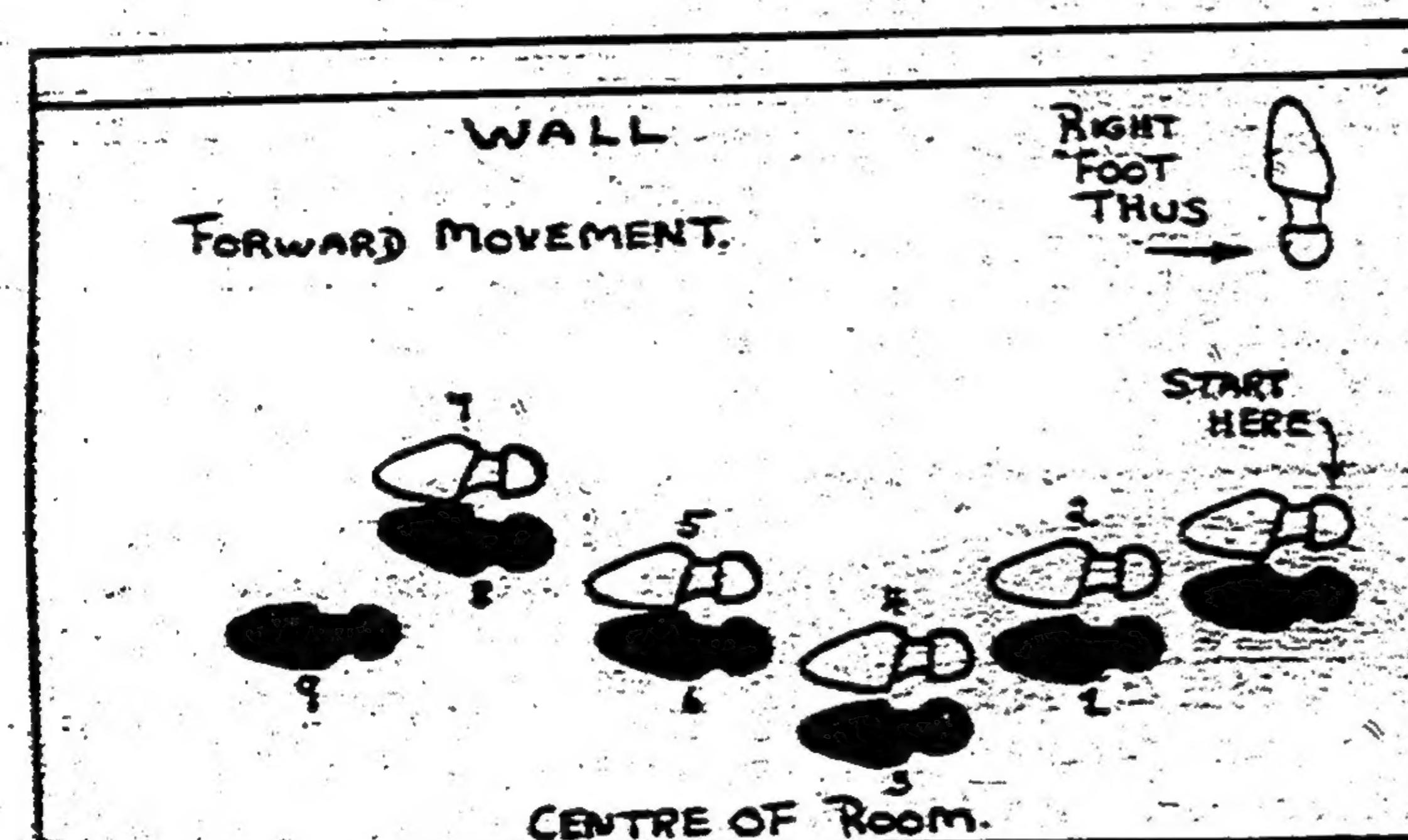
3. Back Right. Slow

4. Side Left. Quick

5. Close Right to Left. Quick

6. Back Left. Slow

and repeat till you are around to your Line of Dance again.



THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

Your steps will be very small always. You will travel less in this dance than in any other of the Standard dances. For each step pick the foot just clear of the ground and place it down flat with the ball of the foot touching the floor a fraction of a second before the heel.

Face you Line of Dance. (Anti clockwise round the room).

1. Take a tiny step forward on your left foot and slightly to your Left.

2. Close the Right foot to the Left foot.

3. Repeat No. 1

4. Close the Right foot to the Left foot but don't put it down.

5. Take a tiny step forward on your Right and slightly to your Right.

6. Close the Left foot to the Right foot.

7. Repeat No. 5

8. Close the Left foot to the Right foot, but don't put it down.

All these steps are counted Quick, and take one beat of music.

Now repeat the whole movement. Don't have more than about 8 inches between the feet on each step. All these little steps are taken just as if you were marking time to the music.

CARNIVAL DANCE

The Royal Engineers Old Comrades Association will hold their Grand Last Dance of the Season at the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday, March 30, commencing at 8.30 p.m. and lasting 'till 2 a.m.

Features of the evenings entertainment will include cabaret turns from the repertoire of Miss Ann Winter accompanied by Miss Nura Kanis, the Raeburn Juveniles and Mr. W. M. Raeburn. Spot prizes and carnival effects are other attractions, while music will be provided by the Band of the Royal Scots, by kind permission of Lt. Col. G. E. Hall, M.C., and officers.

Tables may be reserved on application to the Hon. Secretary, Telephone Military Kowloon 25, or the Hotel Telephone 58081. Admission for ladies is \$1, and gentlemen \$1.50, including refreshments.

CHARITY BALL

Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency The Governor, and Lady Northcote, the Annual Charity Ball of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children will be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, April 8, commencing at 9.30 p.m.

Tickets at \$1 are obtainable from the Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.

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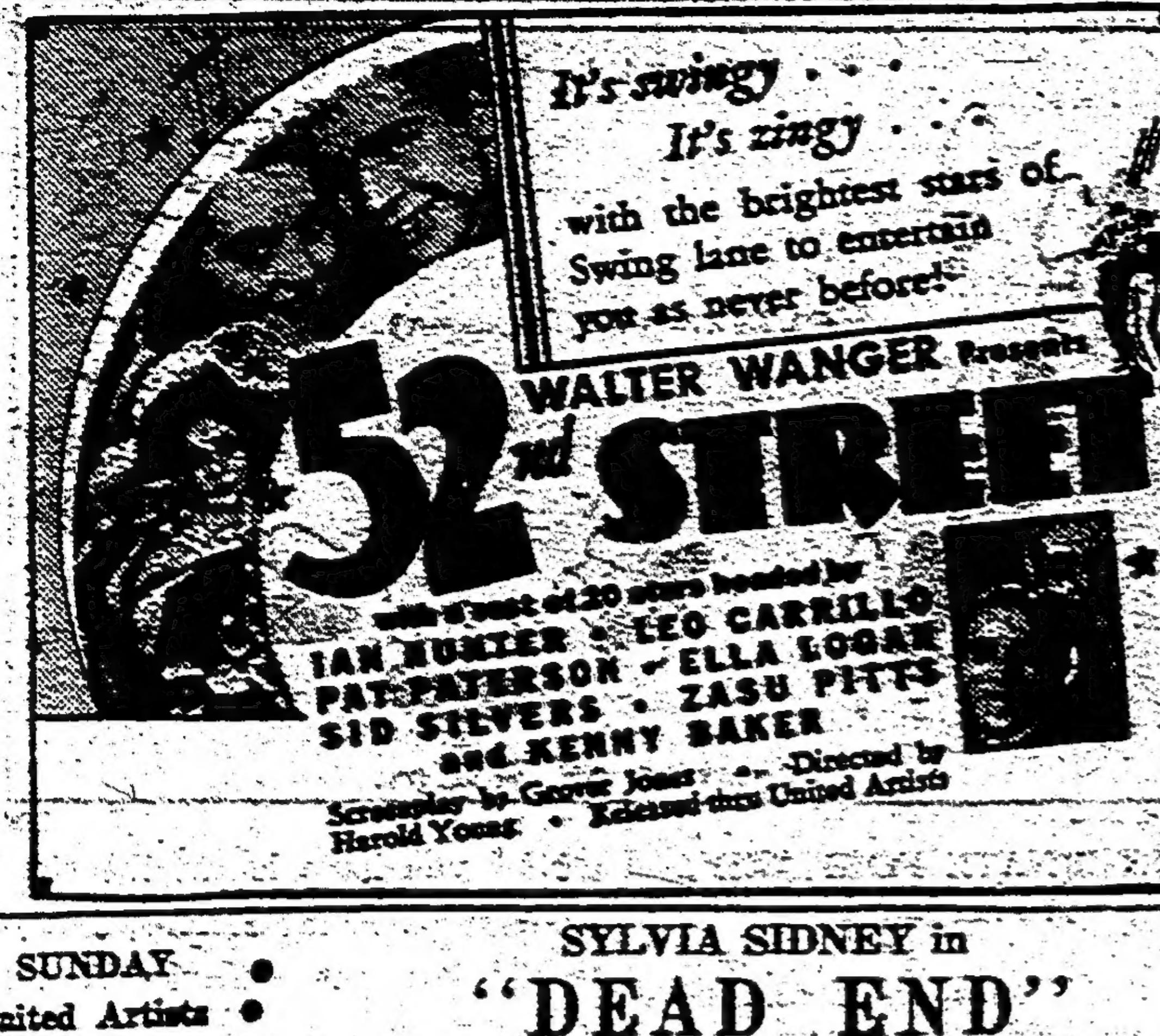
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Another "Something" Seen At Taimoshan

Sir.—I was very interested in the article by Alpinus in "The China Mail," dated 23rd March, concerning "No."

anything unusual to be seen apart from the trees etc., and he replied "No."

It is impossible to lose one's way along the path at various intervals red arrows have been painted on the granite rocks and I felt it would not have been surprising to have discovered a cafe on the Peak—complete with post cards and Letter Box.

There was nothing worth noticing along the route, no trees or flowers and very little view on account of the mist.

We reached the top about 4.30 p.m., refreshed ourselves and then commenced to descend as dusk had already begun to fall.

Coming down the first steep part of the Peak our attention was suddenly drawn to something rather dark and crouching about seventy yards away on our right. It moved then stopped. We both looked and waited for it to move again, but it appeared to remain in a crouching position. Then we came to the conclusion it must be a native, so made no further comment on the matter until descending the second part of the Peak, which is equally as steep as the first. Again we saw "something" but in the rapidly falling dusk we could not see clearly enough to confirm our first suspicions.

I was forced to delay the trip until the other day, when in view of my pending departure I had to make up my mind whatever the weather. The day was dull, grey and rather misty, and owing to circumstances my friend could not leave Kowloon before 1 p.m. which we thought would not provide sufficient time to reach the summit, being under the impression at that time, that it took at last six hours.

We started walking from the village of Tsim Wan on the Castle Peak Road.

Before very long we met a very interesting Englishman, a Naturalist, who said that it had taken him an hour and a half to reach the top. We asked him if there was

any further comment on the matter until descending the second part of the Peak, which is equally as steep as the first. Again we saw "something" but in the rapidly falling dusk we could not see clearly enough to confirm our first suspicions.

Further down still we came to cross paths and had some difficulty in finding correct one, but managed to trace our footprints in the soft ground. We were wearing tennis shoes.

At this stage I noticed what I thought to be some extra large dog spoor, and I then remembered that

on two occasions during the climb I had seen "something else," which could only have been from some animal larger than a dog, and certainly nothing to do with a calf or cow etc.

The only animals we saw during the trip were two chows, mother and puppy, belonging to the Village we passed through.

It was quite dark when we reached the Castle Peak road, having taken about an hour and three quarters to descend.

I am rather inclined to agree with Alpinus that it would be reassuring to other hikers were some investigations made about this mythical tiger of whom one hears but as yet not actually seen.

Yours truly,

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SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC GRIEVANCES: QUERIES TO URBAN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

Questions on the smallpox outbreak are to be asked at Tuesday's meeting of the Urban Council.

Dr. S. N. Chau will ask:

(1) What is the possible source of the outbreak of the present epidemic?

(2) If this is known, what steps are being taken or are proposed to prevent its recurrence in the future?

(3) What are the existing arrangements for the accommodation and treatment of smallpox cases?

(4) Is the practice still prevalent of permitting smallpox patients to choose Chinese herbal methods of treatment if they so desire?

(5) In view of the exemption among the masses that Chinese herbal methods of treatment are superior to Western methods, will the Chairman, from the information available, inform the Council, statistically over a number of years, the results by comparison of the two methods of treatment?

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES

(6) The general impression exists that the public is not co-operating fully with the authorities in the suppression of this disease. On the other hand, among the masses, there is a feeling of grievance against objections and obstacles which render co-operation with the authorities difficult or impossible.

Some of these objections are stated to be:

(a) The methods of fumigation of houses,—whereby coolies, indiscriminately and without regard to the feelings of the owners, carry out their work carelessly and wilfully destroy property.

(b) The denial of permission for relatives to visit smallpox patients, once these patients are in hospital.

(c) The absence of facilities for enquiries by anxious relatives regarding the condition of patients admitted into the Isolation Hospital; it is alleged that, in some cases, relatives only are permitted to see the patients again at the Mortuary. As removal of these and similar objections and obstacles will result in closer co-operation between the public and the authorities will the Chairman state?

REMEDIAL MEASURES

What measures will be taken to

SCHUSCHNIGG CABINET NOW AT LIBERTY

Vienna, To-day.

An investigation carried out by Trans-Ocean's representation into the fate of the former Ministers of the Schuschnigg Cabinet reveals that most of the Ministers are still at liberty.

Dr. Schuschnigg himself is in "protective custody" in his apartment.

The Ministers for Defence, Agriculture and Justice are all at liberty.—Trans-Ocean.

remove or remedy the above? If steps or arrangements have been or are intended to be made, will the Government give full publicity to such arrangements for the information of the public?

(7) In view of recent complaints in some quarters (reported in the papers) that the supply of lymph to various vaccination centres is insufficient, and in other quarters that there has been gross wastage of lymph, will the Chairman state:

(a) Whether public organisations seeking to cooperate with the Government in the Vaccination Campaign have been fully supplied with their requirements?

(b) Whether, in view of the counter charge of wastage, it is possible to state what should be the amount of lymph given to each individual?"

SIR THOMAS INSKIP MEETS ENGINEERING UNIONS

London, To-day.

The Defence Co-ordination Minister, Sir Thomas Inskip, conferred yesterday afternoon with engineering Trade Union leaders, and conveyed the Government's views similarly to those given the Trade Union Congress General Council the previous day.

The Union promised to consider the statement at the earliest opportunity.

The leaders of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, which is overwhelmingly the most powerful engineering Union, were absent at the meeting owing to other engagements.—Reuter.

BRITISH CLAIM AGAINST JAPAN

Shanghai, March 24.

It is announced that the British authorities here have transmitted to the British Embassy in Tokyo a statement of claim for damages amounting to £15,000, against the Japanese Government in connection with the sinking of the British steamer *Tuckwo* on the Yangtze above Nanking, and with destruction of the harbour plant belonging to British steamship companies in Nanking and Shanghai.

The British Embassy will forward the statement of claim to the Japanese Foreign Office.—Trans-Ocean.

Chan Yuen, of the Po Kwong photographers, has reported the loss of photographic goods and a lens to the value of \$200 from the store.

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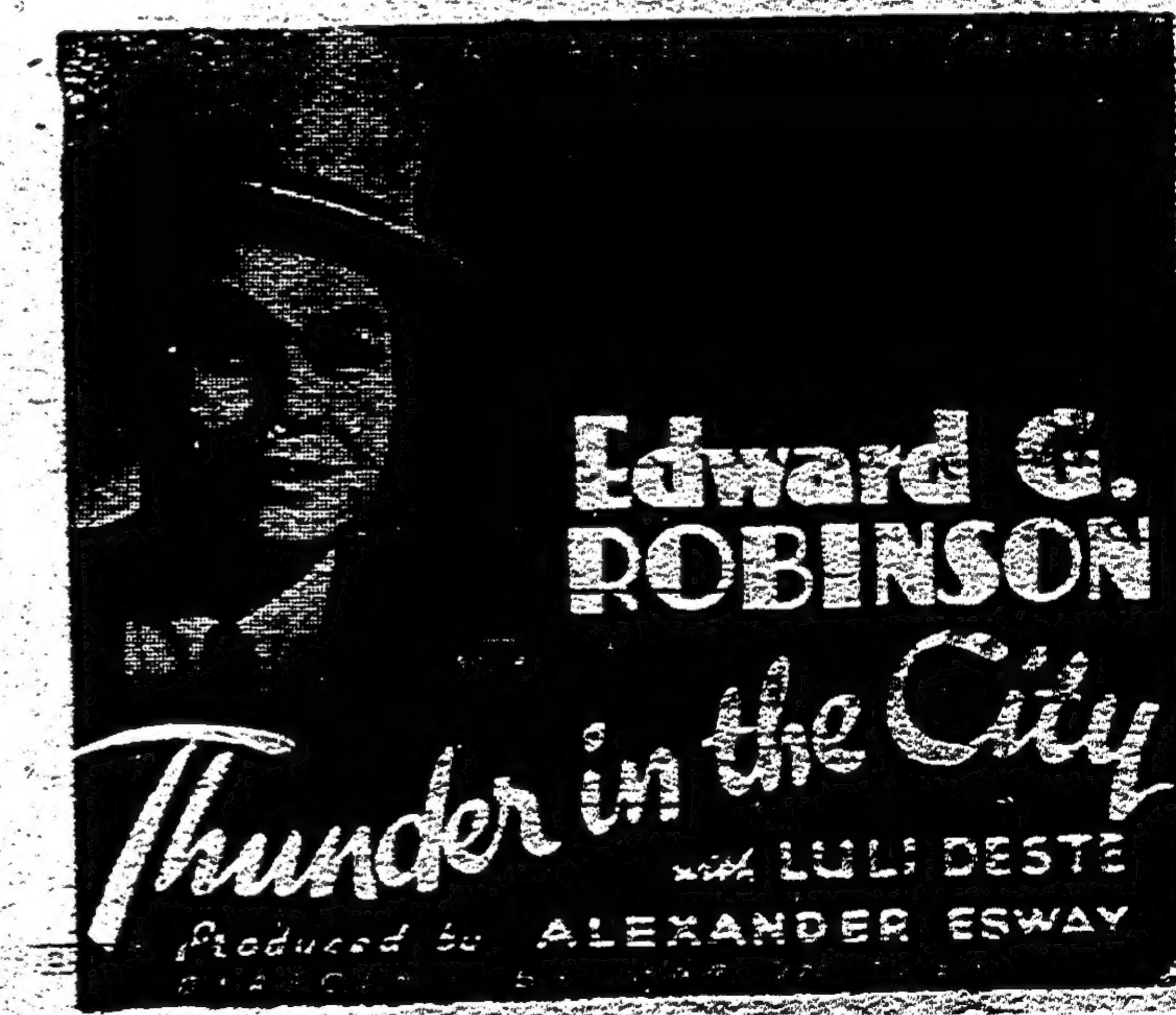
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JAPANESE AIRMEN NOT TO BE HURT

Changchun, To-day.

Instructions not to interfere with Japanese airmen in the event that they make a forced landing or a parachute jump, are being circulated all over Szechuan from Central Government Headquarters.

The peasants are told they must only inform the nearest police or military authorities, meanwhile watching the plane's occupants in order to ensure that they do not escape. The people are warned not to inflict bodily harm on Japanese prisoners.—Reuters.

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The scene on the Praia after the arrival in the Colony yesterday of His Excellency Dr. Arthur Tamagno, Governor of Macao. ("Mail" photo).

JAPAN DISCLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY FOR NORTH CHINA TARIFF CHANGES

London, To-day.

The revised North China tariff appeared to tend in favour of Japanese trade, declared the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in the House of Commons yesterday, in reply to a question by Major H. A. Procter (Conservative, Accrington).

Apart from a general complaint from trade organisations as to the prejudice caused to British trade in North China by present conditions, no specific instances of hardship resulting from the tariff had been brought to notice.

The Japanese Government reply to the protest addressed to them had now been received. The Japanese Government disclaimed responsibility for revision of the customs rate enacted by the Peiping Government, and contended that reduction of duties on a few commodities, needed for rehabilitation or relief, was unavoidable.

"NO DISCRIMINATION"

The reply also stated that there had been no discrimination against third powers, and the revision had the effect of doing away with the special trade in East Hopei. This reply, Mr. Butler concluded, was under consideration.—Reuters.

TURKEY AND FRANCO

Ankara, To-day.

The Turkish Government and the representative of General Franco have agreed to appoint government agents for dealing with economic and consular matters.

The agreement complies with the decision of the Balkan Entente regarding the attitude towards Spain, which was taken at the recent meeting of the Entente Council at Ankara.—Trans-Ocean.

An official dinner is being given at Government House on Thursday next by His Excellency the Governor.

\$1,000 HOLD-UP ON STAIRCASE

Norman Ali, a clerk, residing at No. 72, Thompson Road, third floor, has reported that last night at about 10.30 p.m., on returning home, he was met on the staircase by four men, one of whom held his hands behind his back while another placed a hand over his mouth. The other two then searched him. They took a wallet but finding nothing returned it to his pocket. From his hip pocket they extracted \$1,000, one \$500 note and five \$100 notes.

They then pushed him on the stairs and escaped.

He is unable to give a description of his assailants.

PLEBISCITE PLANS

Berlin, To-day.

First official announcement on the plebiscite in Germany and Austria was made yesterday by the Minister of Interior, Dr. Frick.

Space on the ballot papers, which will bear the question "Do you approve of the *anschluss*?" is left for the voter's answer—Yes or No.

Germans abroad will be permitted to vote but in order to obtain the ballot from must present their passport or other identification papers.

It is estimated that the new German Reichstag will contain over 800 members compared with 741 members in the former body.—Trans-Ocean.

POLISH JEWS LEAVING

Warsaw, To-day.

About 1,000 Polish Jews will leave Poland in the course of the week.

Some of the emigrants will go to Palestine and others to Argentina.—Trans-Ocean.

CLOUSTON'S PROGRESS

Karachi, To-day.

Flying Officer Closton and Mr. Victor Ricketts arrived here in their New Zealand England flight at 1.42 a.m. (GMT).—Reuters.

RUSSIA NOT LIKELY TO INTERVENE IN FAR EAST

Mr. Sun Fo Reveals Impressions Of Moscow
Stalin Practical And Knows What He Wants

London, To-day.
 "Russia regards the war in the Far East with great anxiety, but at present there seems no prospect of her intervening owing to the dangers of complications in Europe, which might start a world war," declared Mr. Sun Fo, China's special envoy in Europe, in an interview with Reuter yesterday. Mr. Sun Fo had just arrived in London by air from Paris.

Mr. Sun Fo said he had had a long conversation with Stalin, who struck him as an extremely practical man who knew exactly what he wanted.

CHINESE TROOPS STILL ADVANCING

HANKOW, TO-DAY.
 ADVANCING IN THREE COLUMNS, THE CHINESE FORCES IN THE REGION OF THE TIENSIN-PUKOW RAILWAY HAVE SUCCEEDED IN DRIVING THE JAPANESE BACK NORTHWARDS FROM THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF SHANTUNG.

While the centre column is pressing forward along the railway line to Linchong, which fell into Japanese hands on Monday, an entire Chinese division is reported to be advancing along the branch railway between Linchong and Taierchuang.

JAPANESE RETREAT

This division has compelled a Japanese retreat from the branch line, and the Chinese here are reported to have captured a large amount of enemy war materials.

The third column operating to the west of the T.P.R. is pressing forward northwards along the bank of Tusuan Lake and has already reached the suburbs of Yenchow, a station on the T.P.R. Trans-Ocean.

PEIPING TO BE PREMIER PUPPET

TOKYO, To-day.
 The House of Peers yesterday unanimously, and without amendment, passed the National Mobilisation Bill.

The Lower House adopted the North China Developments Bill and the Central China Company Promotion Bill.

At an extraordinary session of the Diet, the Foreign Minister reported on the Central China regime, which would shortly be brought into existence.

Mr. Koki Hirota expressed the hope that the Government would bring North China regime.—Reuter.

As far as Mr. Sun Fo was able to judge, the Russian people appeared absolutely in support of their Government, and the recent purge had not shaken the stability of the state.

Mr. Sun Fo frequently saw M. Maxim Litvinoff, the Soviet Foreign Commissar, who informed him he was sure Herr Hitler meant to seize Austria immediately.

Mr. Sun Fo, after his Moscow visit, went to Vienna, and only left the Austrian capital the day before the seizure of Austria.

WAR IN CHINA
 Mr. Sun Fo stated the opinion that the war in China would last at least another year, and possibly much longer.

The Chinese armies were now far better organised and equipped than at the beginning of the conflict, and it was now clear that Japan was having no easy time.

Japan was obliged to keep two-thirds of her resources in reserve against the possibility of a quarrel with a third power, and hence she could only use one-third of her resources against China, and had to draw on this one-third heavily.

CHINA'S CURRENCY

There was no doubt of the stability of the Chinese currency. Chinese reserves abroad were intact, and China was able to finance the purchase of arms abroad without injury to her currency reserve.

The Chinese currency restrictions had spoiled Japanese hopes of buying foreign exchange to finance the new Bank in Peiping with notes of the Central Bank of China, of which \$300,000,000 were circulating in North China.

MEETING OLD FRIENDS

Mr. Sun Fo hopes to stay in England for three to four weeks, and to see the Prime Minister and renew his acquaintances with Sir Alexander Cadogan (formerly Ambassador to China and now in the Foreign Office), Sir Frederick Leith-Ross (the economic expert who reorganised China's currency) and Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen (former Ambassador to China).

Mr. Sun Fo may go on to the United States, but has as yet made no decision.—Reuter.

take appropriate steps in this connexion on the understanding that the Central China administration would eventually be absorbed by the existing North China regime.—Reuter.

R. A. F. RESERVES

London, To-day.

An emergency reserve of 42,000 R.A.F. ex-service officers is being planned by the Air Council.—Reuter.

HULL PLAN TO SAVE AUSTRIAN REFUGEES

Washington, To-day.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, has proposed the establishment of a special international committee to get political refugees out of Germany and Austria.

The suggestion was made in telegrams despatched from the State Department to nine European Governments, including the British Government, and to every country in Latin America.

Under Mr. Hull's plan the cost of transporting refugees would be borne by private organisations in every country which agreed to receive them.

U.S. INITIATIVE

An official communiqué says that the United States Government is taking this action owing to the "necessity of a speedy co-operative effort under Government supervision if widespread human suffering is to be averted".

The European countries to which the telegrams were sent are Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Switzerland and Italy.

No country will be asked to receive more refugees than is permitted by present laws.—Reuter.

accept them.

The Government is also using the police force to visit all houses to persuade the populace to accept the good and urging the people to the notes.—Reuter.

ASTOUNDING PEIPING MONEY SITUATION

Peiping, To-day.
 Currency troubles in Peiping threaten to bring foreign business to a standstill.

The difficulty arises from the refusal of the new Federated Reserve Bank to sell foreign exchange, and the refusal even of Japanese banks to exchange the new notes for yen, although the Federated Bank is Japanese sponsored and began operating with a 100,000,000 yen credit from a group of Japanese banks.

Most foreign banks are under orders to only sell exchange against cover, which is now remarkably small, and companies such as the oil companies are only selling goods as are covered by exchange which becomes available at the banks.

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Britain Will Not Recognise Validity Of Action

STATEMENT IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

London, To-day.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, said in the House of Commons yesterday that attention had been drawn to a press report of the announcement issued jointly by the Japanese diplomatic, military and naval authorities in Shanghai.

The announcement was reported to have stated that no ships could ply in Chinese internal waterways in Japanese controlled areas without special Japanese permits, failing which the ships' cargoes would be subject to seizure.

Mr. Butler added that the Government had not received official confirmation of the announcement.

The Government did not recognise any such order, and would if necessary so inform the Japanese Government, and would hold them responsible for damage to British interests resulting from such an order.

CUSTOMS ISSUE

London, To-day.

The Japanese Government has promised early consideration of the representations, declared the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in the House of Commons yesterday, answering a question by Mr. I. C. Hannah (Conservative, Bilston) on the result of the representations to Japan respecting collection of Customs duties at Shanghai.

Mr. Butler regretted that there

NEW CABINET IN LITHUANIA

Kaunas, To-day.

The Lithuanian President has accepted the resignation of the Cabinet.

A new provisional Cabinet has been formed under Father Mironas, an Army Chaplain.

No change has occurred from the existing regime, as all the Ministers are members of the Government Party.

A coalition has thus been avoided. Reuter.

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PROMISE OF ANGLO-ITALIAN AGREEMENT

London, To-day.

In reference to the Anglo-Italian conversations in his Commons declaration, the Premier said they had been carried a considerable distance and the results were full of encouragement to those who like His Majesty's Government regarded appeasement in Europe as an objective to which the efforts of all men of goodwill should be directed.

Just before the conversations were opened, the Italian Government informed Britain of their acceptance of the formula for withdrawal of the volunteers from Spain and the granting of belligerent rights to the two parties in the Spanish civil war.

Mr. Chamberlain had impressed upon the Italian Government the necessity, if the conversations were to succeed, not only that they should lend whatever help they could in bringing into operation the withdrawal plan, but that in the meantime the situation in Spain should not be materially altered by Italy sending fresh reinforcements.

SATISFIED

It had never been demanded or expected that the Italian Government should effect unilateral withdrawal and he thought it right to say that during these last weeks, while the conversations had been proceeding, His Majesty's Government were satisfied of the fulfilment by the Italian Government of the conditions which had been indicated to them.

The Italian Government had now again asserted their willingness loyally to assist in the execution of the British Plan and what was perhaps more important, they had repeated the declaration which they made some time ago that Italy had no territorial, political or economic aim in Spain or in the Balearic Islands.

FULL RELIANCE

"His Majesty's Government place full reliance upon the intention of the Italian Government to make good these assurances. They believe that with the spirit of mutual confidence which both Governments are addressing themselves to the task, it will be possible, through these conversations, to reach complete agreement."—British Wireless.

AIR LINER MISSING

Paris, To-day.

An airliner operating on the regular service between Casablanca and Toulouse is reported missing.

The machine which had five passengers aboard and a crew of three, was due to reach Toulouse at 3 p.m. yesterday, but no news of its whereabouts had been received till 2 a.m. to-day.

On the other hand it is variously reported that about 8.45 yesterday evening an aeroplane was seen falling in flames near Corsavy, in the French Pyrenees.—Trans-Ocean.

INSURGENTS CROSS EBRO NEAR HUESCA

BARCELONA, TO-DAY.
ALL AVAILABLE MEN IN THE REPUBLICAN ZONE ON THE ARAGON FRONT ARE ERECTING DEFENCES IN AN ATTEMPT TO STEM GENERAL FRANCO'S ADVANCE.

Meanwhile the insurgents continue to advance to the edges of Republican territory.

Thousands of insurgents yesterday crossed the River Ebro in the vicinity of Huesca before they were discovered.

A fierce battle ensued during which the Republicans suffered a slight reverse.—Reuter.

SURPRISE CROSSING

Paris, To-day.
Press reports from Madrid quote a Spanish Government communique as admitting that the insurgents yesterday succeeded in making a surprise crossing of the River Ebro.

The communiqué reports a sharp insurgent attack on the Government lines in the Quefa sector, half way between Saragossa and Huesca.

The insurgent attack was made with cavalry and tanks, and was carried out behind a smoke screen, used for the first time in the civil war.

Insurgent aircraft bombed Buñollos and San Gregorio.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH CABINET TO FIGHT THE SENATE

Paris, To-day.
The hope that a Government crisis will not materialise was raised late last evening when there were indications of determination in Governmental majority circles not to yield to what is described as the "Senate's attempted blackmail."

According to reliable sources, the Premier, M. Leon Blum, does not intend to resign, but will engage battle with the Senate on the second Financial Bill, which has already passed the Chamber.—Reuter.

How Do You Greet The Day?

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Special By-Laws Proposed By Urban Council

MUST BE PASTEURIZED IN SPECIAL-TYPE CONTAINERS

Special by-laws covering the manufacture and sale in the Colony of reconstituted milk and reconstituted cream are to be submitted to the Urban Council for approval on Tuesday of next week.

One of the principal provisions is that no reconstituted milk or cream can be sold unless it is first pasteurised.

The main provisions are as follows:

No person shall manufacture reconstituted milk or reconstituted cream for sale or for use in the preparation of some other article of food for sale except in premises licensed by the Council as a Food Factory for that specific purpose.

All homogenizing, emulsifying, pasteurizing, sterilizing, cooling, refrigerating, cold storage, bottling, filling or other plant or apparatus used in such a Food Factory for the production of reconstituted milk or reconstituted cream shall be of a type approved by the Council.

PASTEURIZING PLANT

Every pasteurising plant or apparatus shall be equipped with a self-registering thermometer device which will accurately indicate and record the temperature to which and the length of time for which the pasteurised product has been heated. All such records shall be kept for at all reasonable times by any Health Officer or Food Officer.

No butter or skimmed milk powder or other ingredient other than from a source approved by the Council. No water other than water from a source approved by the Council; No preservative; and no colouring matter other than colouring matter approved by the Council shall be added to reconstituted milk or reconstituted cream.

SPECIAL CONTAINERS

Reconstituted milk and reconstituted cream shall, except where intended for sale in bulk, be sold, offered or exposed for sale only in containers of a type approved by the Council. For the purposes of these by-laws, "container" includes any cover attached to a container.

Every bottle used shall be constructed of clear colourless glass and shall be closed with a tightly fitting disc and covered with an outer cover overlapping the lip of and securely fastened to the bottle. The outer cover or if the outer cover is constructed of transparent material, the disc or a prominent label or labels attached to the bottle shall bear:—(1) the name of the manufacturer in English.

(2) the words "Reconstituted Milk" or "Reconstituted Cream" as the case may be. The word "Reconstituted" shall be printed in letters as prominent as those used in the word "Milk" or "Cream".

(3) Chinese characters printed in type as prominent as that used for the English words "Reconstituted Milk" or "Reconstituted Cream" and no other Chinese characters except with the written permission of the Council.

(4) the word "Pasteurized."

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Patrick Ho, teacher at St. Joseph's College, residing at No. 21, Mosque Junction, and Miss Agnes Lee, of No. 27, Connaught Road, Central, has been announced.

EMPLOYEE WINS CHINA EMPORIUM TEST CASE

The China Emporium test case was terminated in the Summary Court this morning when the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Lindsell, awarded judgment to Cheng Pik-sun, former employee of the Company, on a claim of \$465.47 against the Company for balance of wages.

"I accept the evidence for the plaintiff. I believe that he and his witnesses were present at the meeting on August 14 and were given to understand that the Company undertook, in connection with their submitting, without fuss, to the cut, to refund the amounts cut as soon as the Company made a profit," stated the Puisne Judge.

The defence claimed that plaintiff had been dismissed and could not claim a refund, and also that the Company did not make profits, as eight per cent interest on the Capital had not been paid.

Mr. W. A. MacKinlay appeared for plaintiff and Mr. M. W. Lo represented the company.

"It is quite clear" said Mr. Justice Lindsell, "that Mr. Chan Harr, General Manager of the defendant Company, was anxious about the possible reactions of the staff to the cut. He anticipated opposition, and I am satisfied that he unwittingly softened the blow by liberal promises of which he may possibly not have realised the full implications."

"It follows that the Company, through its General Manager, gave an unqualified undertaking to repay as soon as it made profits and having thereby induced its employees to remain in its services at reduced salaries, cannot now be heard to say that the word "profit" was used and intended to be understood in the particular and limited sense of "profit in excess of a sum sufficient to pay 8 per cent to the Company's shareholders as required by No. 134 (a) of the Company's Articles of Association." Nor is there to my mind any merit in the argument that plaintiff, by leaving the Company's service in 1936, deprived himself of all right to a refund in accordance with the final provision of the "Cut scheme."

H.E. Sir Geoffrey Northcote is lunching at Repulse Bay Hotel with the Governor of Macao on Monday.

ACCUSED GIVES EVIDENCE AT MURDER TRIAL

Allegations that the quarrel was not over a bet but over a loan, were made by accused this morning in the trial of Sher Zaman and Fateh Khan, charged with the murder of Hayat Mohamed, which was continued before Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions.

The case for the Crown is being conducted by the Assistant Attorney General, Mr. E. H. Williams. Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, represented first accused, while Mr. George She, instructed by Mr. Alfred Lau, appeared for the second.

The jury empanelled was: Messrs. V. Benjamin (Foreman), P. S. Sham, C. E. Tavares, E. W. C. Simmons, C. M. Shand, R. J. Master and A. M. Tavares.

GUARD'S STORY

Special Guard No. 26, Noor Khan, testified that after the bet was settled between first accused and deceased, the former appeared satisfied. When second accused returned from Singapore, he approached witness and told him that it would be better for deceased to return the money. Witness declined to intervene.

When the assault took place witness entered the guard Room and saw deceased lying on the bed. Deceased said "See, Noor Khan (witness), these two fellow-villagers have killed me! Look at my legs. They assaulted me and broke my legs!"

Deceased told witness that they used his stick. Witness said to accused "You've done a cruel thing. Why have you assaulted him?" Second accused made no reply, but first accused retorted "I did it."

When first accused made this remark deceased replied "You? Only one? How could you have assaulted me? Two of you assaulted me. Fateh Khan held me down." Both accused made no reply.

ACCUSED'S EVIDENCE

First accused, in the witness box, said he was transferred to Green Island in September for a period of six months. He lent deceased \$17 on December 1, deceased promised to return the money when accused transferred to Hong Kong. He had had no disputes with deceased. When he lost the bet over the typhoon bars, the money was paid to deceased and nothing more was mentioned about it. Accused did not ask second accused to intervene to get the money back.

On February 17, accused and deceased after their meal went to their quarters. Accused asked deceased for the return of the loan as he was about to be transferred. Deceased said he only owed \$15 and not \$17. Accused repeated that he owed \$17. Deceased replied in abusive words. Accused retorted in the same manner. Deceased took up his stick and struck accused on the shoulder.

"I got up and pushed him, and as he fell he dropped the stick. I picked up the stick and struck him in order to defend myself as there was no one else in the room. I don't know where I struck deceased, but I continued striking for some time. I stopped when second accused and the Sergeant entered the room."

The sergeant instructed second accused to stay in the room and to see that he and deceased did not fight again while he went out.

"When Mr. Bailey arrived I admitted fighting with deceased." The case is continuing this afternoon.

POPE'S APPEAL TO FRANCO

Sir.—In a Reuter telegram in your issue of yesterday, reporting the Pope's protest to General Franco regarding the bombardments of Barcelona, there appears the following paragraph:

"It is stated that 26 priests were killed when the insurgents re-entered Teruel, while two churches which remained standing were sacked by the insurgent troops."

This immediately follows a paragraph beginning "The Pope also pointed out," but one would not be so uncharitable as to assume that this very impartial news agency intended that readers of this news item should be led to believe that the above "facts" were actually "stated" in the Pope's protest, and that the Holy Father had charged General Franco's troops—the crusaders of Catholic Spain—with having murdered Catholic priests and sacked Catholic churches.

It would have been interesting had Reuter been able to tell us what use had been made of those two churches during the occupation of Teruel by the Reds.

Yours, etc.,

A. D. G.

(The whole truth of the matter may be cleared up later, but in fact, the general sense of the telegram was to suggest that His Holiness the Pope, in his communication to General Franco, did refer specifically to the murder of Catholic priests and sacking of Churches by the insurgents. In the form received, the telegram might have been accurately interpreted "The Pope also pointed out . . . and stated etc." Ed.)

CLOUDY, DRIZZLE

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone over China has attained moderate intensity and is extending southward. Pressure remains relatively low over Indo-China. The depression is moving into the Pacific to the south of Hokkaido.

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THE CASE BOOK

That vexed question of police administration in Hong Kong, the case-book system, which has presumably, been shelved since the last Budget debate as it has always been shelved in the past, has now, it is interesting to observe, cropped up in England. Some salutary questions on the subject were put by Mr. Herbert Morrison in the House of Commons, when he demanded whether it were true that a communication had been sent to a police station in the Metropolitan area threatening that long-service bonuses might be lost if members of the force did not prove their zeal and efficiency by an increased number of arrests and summonses. Sir Samuel Hoare replied that he was certain no such communication "had been made with the knowledge or approval of the Commissioner of Police," and promised to go farther into the matter.

The "Manchester Guardian" comments sharply on the issue and is far from satisfied, pointing out that until the report is proved to be incorrect, it must increase a suspicion which already exists among the public that (to put it bluntly) the shortest way to promotion in the police force is to secure a large number of arrests. This suspicion has already been aroused by the recent case in which an actor was arrested for carrying a second overcoat over his arm. This case was also raised in the House of Commons and Sir Samuel Hoare endeavoured to assure his hearers:

An elaborate code of instruction had been issued by the Commissioner to the effect that while every officer should be active and vigilant where there were reasonable grounds of suspicion, the greatest care must be taken to avoid any abuse of this power even at the risk of some guilty person going free.

But this will hardly prove a guarantee if officers also believe that the only way in which they can prove themselves "active and vigilant" is by the number of arrests they make. There is something to be said for the suggestion that the Commissioner (through the Home Office) determined that it was unnecessary) that it should be made clear to all ranks of the police force that individual efficiency will not be judged by the number of arrests made. The gravity of the Hong Kong criticism, of course, runs completely counter to Mr. Henderson's proposal. Local misgivings are based on the fear that it has been made all too clear to all ranks that arrests are the primary test of efficiency.

Japan and Mexico

Japan's anxiety to profit from Mexican expropriation of Anglo-American oil companies is perhaps a forgivable endeavour to prepare against the day when public opinion in the United States may veer round to a form of sanctions. At the same time, it furnishes a neat demonstration of the extent to which ideological sympathies have dictated her allegiances and how much pure and undefiled self-interest. For a nation proclaiming herself to be an anti-Communist crusader, Japan has exhibited a most embarrassing haste to come to an arrangement with Mexico, which is surely outside the Soviet Union, the country nearest to acceptance of the Communist theory. Expropriation of the oil wells was, in itself, an indication of the trend of Mexican policy. That she has given sanctuary to M. Leon Trotsky is a sign not of hostility to the Soviet, but of a preference for the Trotsky brand of Communism, as opposed to Stalinism. The tinge, however, is nonetheless brightly pink and, but for considerations that need not be entered into here, Japanese professions of affinity would pass all understanding.

Barcelona Bombing

The Vatican's appeal to General Franco following the insidious bombings of Barcelona's civilian population, and the parallel representations made by the British and French Governments, is a response to an humanitarian impulse which General Franco must find it difficult to disregard.

Not only are such attacks barbaric and demoralising to the perpetrators, but futile for the purpose dictating such crimes. All strategists who have had opportunities of observing the effects of modern air raids in China, Ethiopia and Spain have become convinced that such methods of warfare are tactically futile. In none of these countries have air raids affected civilian morale sufficiently to weaken the position of the peoples' leaders. On the contrary, unrestrained bombings of non-combatants has the reverse effect of rallying the sentiment of civilians to the cause for which their government is fighting.

If they had any doubt as to the villainous character of their government's enemy, any questions about their government's propaganda, murderous assaults on their homes, churches and schools answer them indisputably. Air bombings of civilians are indeed poor tactics, as war itself, on which they are one manifestation, is poor tactics for the accomplishment of the aims which every warring government professes.

BRITAIN NOT TO ASSUME FRESH OBLIGATIONS

Mr. Chamberlain's Declaration Of Policy Pacific Attitude Does Not Mean Nothing Will Make Us Fight

London, To-day.

Loud Ministerial cheers greeted the Prime Minister when he rose to make his declaration on the British attitude towards foreign events in the House of Commons yesterday.

It was an attitude, rather than a policy, Mr. Neville Chamberlain explained, that he was dealing with, because nobody imagined that any events would change the fundamental basis of British policy, which was the maintenance and preservation of peace and the establishment of a sense of confidence.

Peace was the greatest interest of the British Empire. "That does not mean that nothing will make us fight." (Cheers). "We are bound by treaty obligations which would entail the necessity of fighting if the occasion arose."

Mr. Chamberlain hoped nobody doubted we should be prepared for such an event and fulfil those obligations. (Cheers).

Then there were certain vital British interests for which we should fight if they were menaced—the defence of British territories and communications which were vital to our national interests.

There were other occasions, too, under which we might fight, if it was a choice of fighting or abandoning all hope of averting destruction of those things we hold dearest.

NO WINNERS IN WAR

Nevertheless our object must be to preserve the things we consider essential without war, if that is possible, because we know that in war there are no winners. (Cheers).

There was nothing but suffering and ruin for those involved, and even if we were not directly involved, with our worldwide trade ramifications, we would be involved in the consequences which must, sooner or later, react on ourselves.

Mr. Chamberlain confessed his original belief in the effectiveness of the League had been shaken, but he believed it could be strengthened and so serve as an effective instrument to preserve peace.

He appealed to the Labour Party to co-operate and help the League back to health.

COLLECTIVE SECURITY

It was not necessary for collective security to ensure co-operation of all fifty-eight League members as long as we could get the co-operation of a sufficient number to present a front of overwhelming Power to a potential aggressor, but the value of such an alliance must obviously depend on its military efficiency.

If Britain is to make a substantial contribution towards establishment of peace and protection of our greatest interests, she must be strongly armed for defence and counter-offence.

One of the questions necessarily present in many minds concerned the relations between Czechoslovakia and the German minority there.

SOLUTION NEEDED

Solution of this question would probably go far to re-establish essential stability over an area much wider than that immediately concerned.

Accordingly the Government had given special attention to the matter, and had fully considered whether the United Kingdom, in addition to its existing obligations, should, as a further contribution to peace, undertake new specific commitments in Europe, particularly relating to Czechoslovakia.

Should we forthwith assure France that in the event of her being called upon by German aggression in Czechoslovakia to implement her obligations towards Czechoslovakia, we would employ full military force on her behalf?

Or should we declare our readiness to take military action to resist any forcible interference with the independence and integrity of Czechoslovakia, and invite any other nations who desire to associate themselves with us in such a declaration?

RETAINING DISCRETION

Under either alternative, the decision whether Britain would find herself involved in war, would automatically be removed from the discretion of the British Government.

"This is a position which the Government cannot see its way to accept." (Loud Ministerial Cheers).

This position was not one which the Government could see its way to accept in relation to an area where its vital interests were not concerned to the same degree as in the case of France and Belgium.

Such a position does not result from the League Covenant. Hence the Government was unable to give the prior guarantee suggested.

LOYAL OBLIGATIONS

Where peace or war was concerned, loyal obligations are not alone involved. It is probable that other countries besides the parties in dispute would immediately be involved, especially in the case of two countries like Britain and France.

Dealing with the Soviet invitation to a conference on the Austrian events, Mr. Chamberlain said that while the Government would warmly

welcome any conference representing all European nations, it was obliged to recognise that no such expectation can be entertained.

The conference suggested would aggravate the tendency towards establishment of exclusive groups, which must be inimical to European peace.

Regarding Czechoslovakia, now is the time when all the resources of diplomacy should be enlisted in the cause of peace.

PRACTICAL STEPS

The British Government does not underrate the definite assurances given by Germany.

The Government has observed with satisfaction that the Government of Czechoslovakia are addressing themselves to practical steps to meet the reasonable wishes of the German minority.

Britain is ready to render any help towards solution of questions likely to cause difficulty between the German and Czechoslovak Government. In the meantime, there was no need to use of force, or indeed to talk about it. That would only do harm, interfere with the progress of diplomacy and increase the feeling of insecurity.

SPAIN

Mr. Chamberlain turned to Spain and said he was fully alive to the help he could bring, and we appeal for goodwill and help from all, and in view of the issues at stake, we are confident that goodwill and repeated serious infringements of Ministerial Cheat.

results were full of encouragement.

Dealing with the British position, Mr. Chamberlain emphasised the need for acceleration of rearmament, especially in the Air Force and anti-aircraft defence.

Rearmament must have priority in the nation's effort.

Nevertheless, increased armaments alone were not a sure guarantee of peace, and he earnestly hoped it would yet be possible to arrive at a reasonable balance of armaments by agreement based on free and unlimited competition.

SAFE BY STRENGTH

Sir John Simon (Chancellor of the Exchequer), winding up for the Government, said their policy was at whatever cost to make the country safe by making it strong.

They believed this was the best guarantee of peace.

"We are making no threats but we show, and invite the country to show, a determination which is all the more impressive because it is the determination of a free people.

"This policy calls for co-operation from each according to the help he can bring, and we appeal for goodwill and help from all, and in view of the issues at stake, we are confident that goodwill and repeated serious infringements of Ministerial Cheat.

NO DIVISION

There was no division at the end of the debate on Mr. Chamberlain's speech, and the Bill on which the discussion had taken place was passed unchallenged amid loud Ministerial cheers.

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SHIRLEY TEMPLE'S LIBEL ACTION

LONDON, TO-DAY
SHIRLEY TEMPLE WAS
YESTERDAY AWARDED DAMAGES OF £2,000 IN SETTLEMENT OF A LIBEL SUIT AGAINST THE ENGLISH MAGAZINE "NIGHT AND DAY."

The magazine had published an article in which the film "Wee Willie Winkie," in which Shirley starred, was adversely criticised, the writer of the article having made the assertion that "no mother could take her child to see such a film."

In approving the terms of the settlement, which was reached out of court, the Chief Justice, Lord Hewart, declared that the libel was a "gross outrage," and counsel for the plaintiffs stated that it was "one of the most horrible libels that one could imagine."

FOR CHARITY

Twentieth-Century Fox, the producing company, which sued jointly with Shirley, was awarded £1,000 and its English subsidiary was awarded £500.

Counsel for the defence intimated that the money received in damages would be turned over to charity.—Trans-Ocean.

Bringing Up Father



PREMIER'S HALF-JAPAN AND HK ASSURANCE TO CZECHS

London To-day.

In his declaration of policy last night, the Premier reminded the House that His Majesty's Government had already placed on record its judgment on the German action in Austria. The consequences of that action remained — there had been a profound disturbance of international conference.

Accordingly, His Majesty's Government had given special attention to this matter and, in particular, had fully considered whether the United Kingdom, in addition to the obligations of the Covenant and Locarno, should as a further contribution to preserving peace in Europe now undertake new and specific commitments. The existing commitments of His Majesty's Government were, first, the defence of France and Belgium against unprovoked aggression under Locarno and, secondly, treaty obligations to Portugal, Iraq and Egypt.

MR. EDEN'S POLICY

Thirdly, there was the Covenant obligation and Mr. Chamberlain cited the definition of the position by Mr. Eden when the latter, as Foreign Secretary, said: "In addition, our armaments may be used in bringing help to a victim of aggression in any case where in our judgment it would be proper under the provisions of their Covenant to do so."

Such a case, Mr. Chamberlain remarked, parenthetically, might include Czechoslovakia and he further cited Mr. Eden as follows: "I use the word 'may' deliberately, since, in such an instance, there is no automatic obligation to take military action. It is, moreover, right that this should be so, for nations cannot be expected to incur automatic military obligations save for areas where their vital interests are concerned."

STILL HOLDS GOOD

The Premier went on: "His Majesty's Government stand by these declarations. They have acknowledged that, in present circumstances the ability of the League to fulfil all the functions originally contemplated for it is reduced, but this is not to be interpreted as meaning that His Majesty's Government would, in no circumstances, intervene as a League member for the restoration of peace or the maintenance of international order if the

JAPAN AND HK SMALLPOX

An official communiqué says that persons embarking at Hong Kong for ports in Japan are advised to carry with them a certificate of vaccination dated not less than 14 days or more than three months prior to date of their departure from Hong Kong.

Persons who have been in contact with a case of small-pox are liable to detention in quarantine for a period of fourteen days, counting from the time when contact with infection last took place unless they can produce a certificate of immunity to small-pox from vaccination carried out within three years of embarkation or of having suffered from small-pox within ten years preceding the date of embarkation.

THE SMALLPOX OUTBREAK

Nineteen cases of smallpox were notified to the local Health Department in the last 24 hours. For the first time since the epidemic broke out, Kowloon suffered more than the island, ten cases being reported on the mainland, eight in Victoria and one in the New Territories.

Circumstances were such as to make it appropriate for them to do so. And I cannot but feel the course and development of any dispute, should such unhappy arise, would be greatly influenced by the knowledge that such action as it may be in the power of Great Britain to take, will be determined by His Majesty's Government of the day in accordance with the principles laid down in the Covenant."—British Wireless.

INEXORABLE FACTS

Mr. Chamberlain added: "I would observe this. Where peace and war are concerned, legal obligations are not alone involved, and if a war broke out, it would be unlikely to be confined to those who have assumed such obligations. It would be quite impossible to say where it might end and what Governments might become involved."

The inexorable pressure of facts might well prove more powerful than formal pronouncements and, in that event, it would be well within the bounds of probability that other countries besides those which were parties to the original dispute would almost certainly be involved. This is especially true in the case of two countries like Great Britain and France with long associations of friendship, with interests closely interwoven, devoted to the same ideals of democratic liberty and determined to uphold them. British Wireless.

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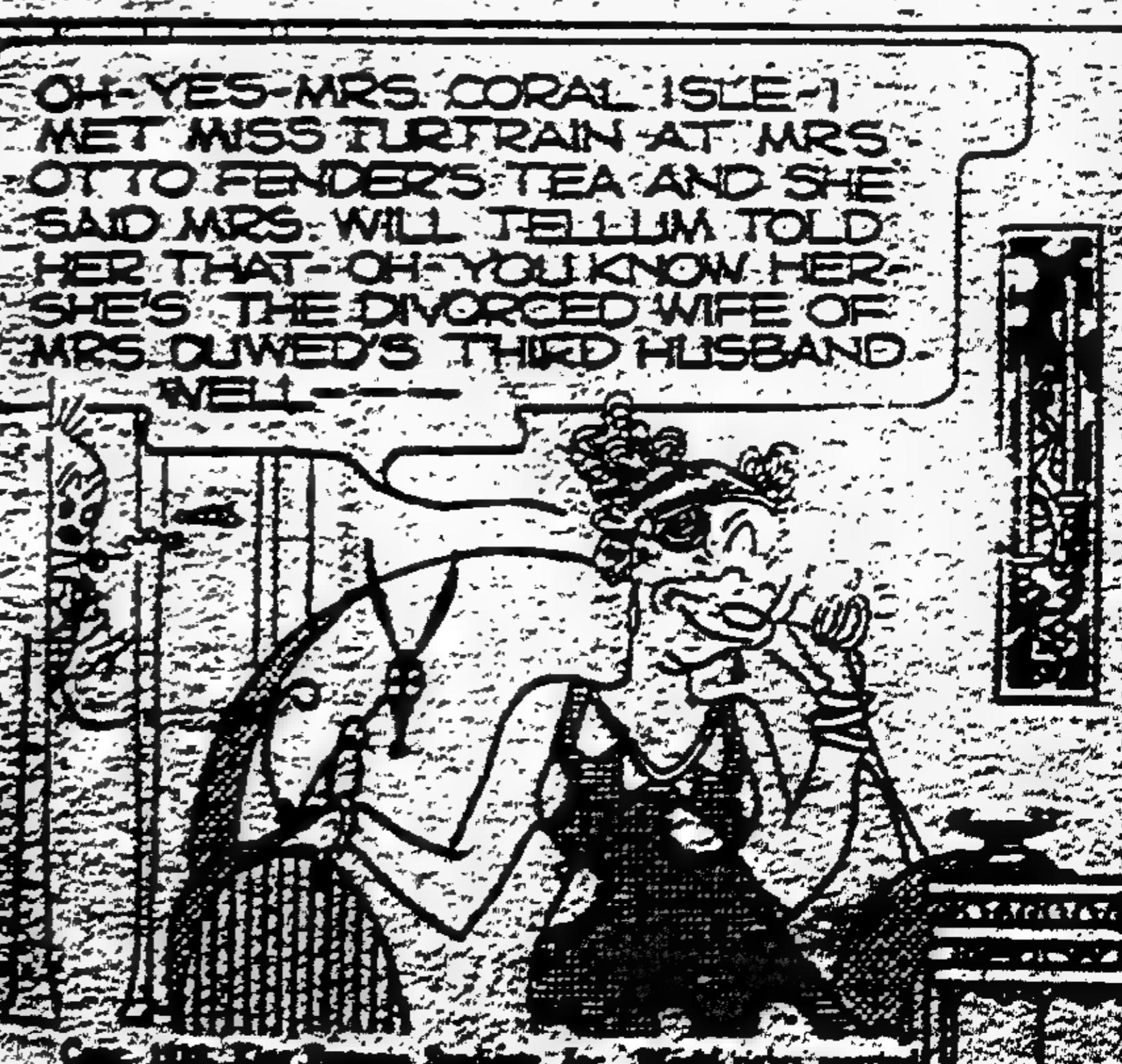
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FRIDAY SUPPLEMENT. MARCH 25, 1938

JANNICE had tried office life when the necessity for earning her living had first become urgent. At the end of eight months she had written that down as a failure. She had never really mastered the intricacies of typing. Shorthand, when an excited boss gabbled hard, left her bewildered; spelling and punctuation were confusing. Jannice had written office life off her list at Easter when she had gone to stay for the week-end with Aunt Edith, her sole remaining relative.

"Come and companion me instead, dear," said Aunt Edith.

Aunt Edith lived at Frinton. It was the sort of place that Jannice had always envied. She believed she would meet nice people, and have a good time. Nothing was said about salary, but did that matter too much? Aunt Edith was not the mean sort.

Jannice returned to London to pack her few modest belongings, and to finish up at her diggings. "I'm in luck's way," she told herself.

Just before she left for Frinton the adventure happened. It happened on a soaking wet day, one of those soaking days you do get in the Spring, when the mud squelched up from buses, and the heavens inconveniently descended on your head. Scuttling across a road without an umbrella, Jannice found herself on an island bumping into a young man. The young man was partially hidden by a most enormous umbrella.

"I'm sorry," she gasped.

"Here, have some of mine," said he.

There seemed no reason why she shouldn't. He looked to be a very nice young man, with dark eyes and a brown skin, and she was getting dismally wet. The traffic poured by, in one long line to the right, in another long line to the left.

"A thoroughly rotten day," said he, "it would happen now, just when I am going to the sea for the rest of the summer. Gives you a wrong idea of the sea."

"I'm going to the sea for the rest of my natural," said she.

"What ever for?"

"A job." She was so thrilled she had to tell someone. "It is with my aunt at Frinton."

"I'm going to my sister's at Frinton."

"WELL!" Still, the traffic streamed by, quite regardless of the enormous adventure of two young people under one umbrella, on an island.

"Perhaps we'll see one another," he said, "my sister's name is Mathews, and she lives in the flat over the grocer's."

"My aunt's name is James. Miss James, and she lives at a little bungalow on the sea front."

"I hope we meet."

"I hope we do."

The policeman held up his hand, and they crossed the road demurely side by side.

"Let me see you under my umbrella-to the bus?"

"It's very nice of you."

Yet in the bus she was thinking of the things her mother had said about not talking to strange young men. You never know whom you are meeting, said Mother. Well, probably you didn't, but he had seemed quite nice, he had made no improper overtures, and

LOCKED OUT

they had liked each other. She had now an added desire to go to Frinton. "I AM" she repeated to herself, "a very lucky girl."

In a week's time she had rather changed her ideas. Frinton was ideal of course. Long stretch of greensward, and beneath it golden sand. The sea, rippling and enchanting, and she with a new white woollen bathing dress tucked into her trunk. Young people who played beach games with enthusiasm, or wore very effective tennis kit and went off to the tennis club, but for Jannice nothing of this. Aunt Edith had her own views, and her views had stopped dead with the coronation ceremony twenty-five years ago.

Aunt Edith did not think modern young people were nice, and when she had asked Jannice to "companion" her, a very occupying job she had intended it to be. Jannice was to help dust and to keep the flowers nice, and to mend Aunt Edith's undies, and to do this, that and the rest of it. The office had been a sickening life, but it had shut up at six, and you could be quite sure that it did not start again until nine the next morning. Aunt Edith's job was never finished. And, what was much worse, she disapproved of modern young people. She had always held bathing to be highly dangerous, and she thought that the modern sea-suit was disgusting. She did not believe that people needed so much pleasure, or that they were any better for it, and she was not anxious that her

He said, "By jove! There you aren't more like it." And then, "I may walk a little way with you, mayn't I?"

"Not up to the door."

"You couldn't introduce me as a long lost cousin?"

"No, I could NOT," very definitely, and then, "besides, I don't know anything about you."

"Oh, that's easy. I'm a writer. I write books, very modest books, you know, though I daresay your aunt would not like them. My name is Ralph Shaw. And yours?"

"Jannice Grey."

"That's a lovely name." He glanced again at her admiringly. Jannice with her soft fair hair, and her grey eyes. Just what he would have expected her to be. "Now look here," said he, "slip out and come round to my sister's for tea on Sunday."

"How can I?"

"You can say my sister is an old friend from the office. You met her this afternoon and she asked you and you said you would ask your aunt. You could say—"

They were already within view of the house. They were already in sight of the garden where probably Aunt Edith was sunning herself among the aubretia and alyssum. You don't understand, my aunt has been such a dear in taking me in."

"And working you to death. I've met those dears before. Now I shall expect you on Sunday."

He slipped off and on to the greensward; she watched him walking away in long easy strides.

Short Story
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By Ursula Bloom

niece should go out and about and have the summer of her young life.

Jannice thought perhaps when her Aunt became more used to her she might be reasonable, but there she was wrong. When Aunt Edith became used to her, she was more dogmatic than ever. She laid down the law with a heavy hand. She was not having her bungalow upset by any young folks' callowings, she said.

That was that.

Jannice saw the young man in the street one afternoon when she was sent out most surprisingly alone to fetch some strawberry jam. Just as she came out of the shop into Connaught Avenue, there he was.

"Why, you!" he gasped, and then, "where on earth have you been hiding yourself?"

Jannice gulped hard. "My aunt," she said.

"You're not going to tell me that she is a jailer and that you are being hidden in a dungeon?"

"No, but she disapproves of friskiness. I seldom go out without her. I mustn't bathe or play games, and . . . and there you are."

ter and his sister who was a dear. "You must come often," she told Jannice.

"I can't. I'm afraid."

"You see," said Ralph. "Andromeda was a beautiful lady guarded by a dragon, and she could not get away."

"But one day the dragon . . ." suggested someone. "Regardless of the fact that Andromeda were nothing at all."

"The conversation is getting away from the point," said Ralph's sister, and then, "Jannice, don't be a little silly. Don't chain yourself up. Stick up for yourself. Have your fun. Why don't you come bathing?"

"VERBOTEN."

"Why not slip out at night? We have a party every night at eleven and it is the greatest fun. Hot coffee after in the huts. I am sure your aunt goes to bed early. I am sure it could be managed."

"I will think about it, honestly I will."

Ralph saw her home. She was glad she had put on the little lavender frock that had been a sheer extravagance, and the necklace of turquoise blue which had gone so well with it. She was glad that she had made herself look her best and had taken the trouble to curl up her hair into clinging gold ringlets.

"We've got to see more of one another, this position is absurd," said Ralph.

But when Jannice got home, Aunt Edith had seen. "I happened to be looking out," said she with an injured air, "and either your girl friend from the office wears those unbecoming flannel trousers young women do wear nowadays, or she is a young man."

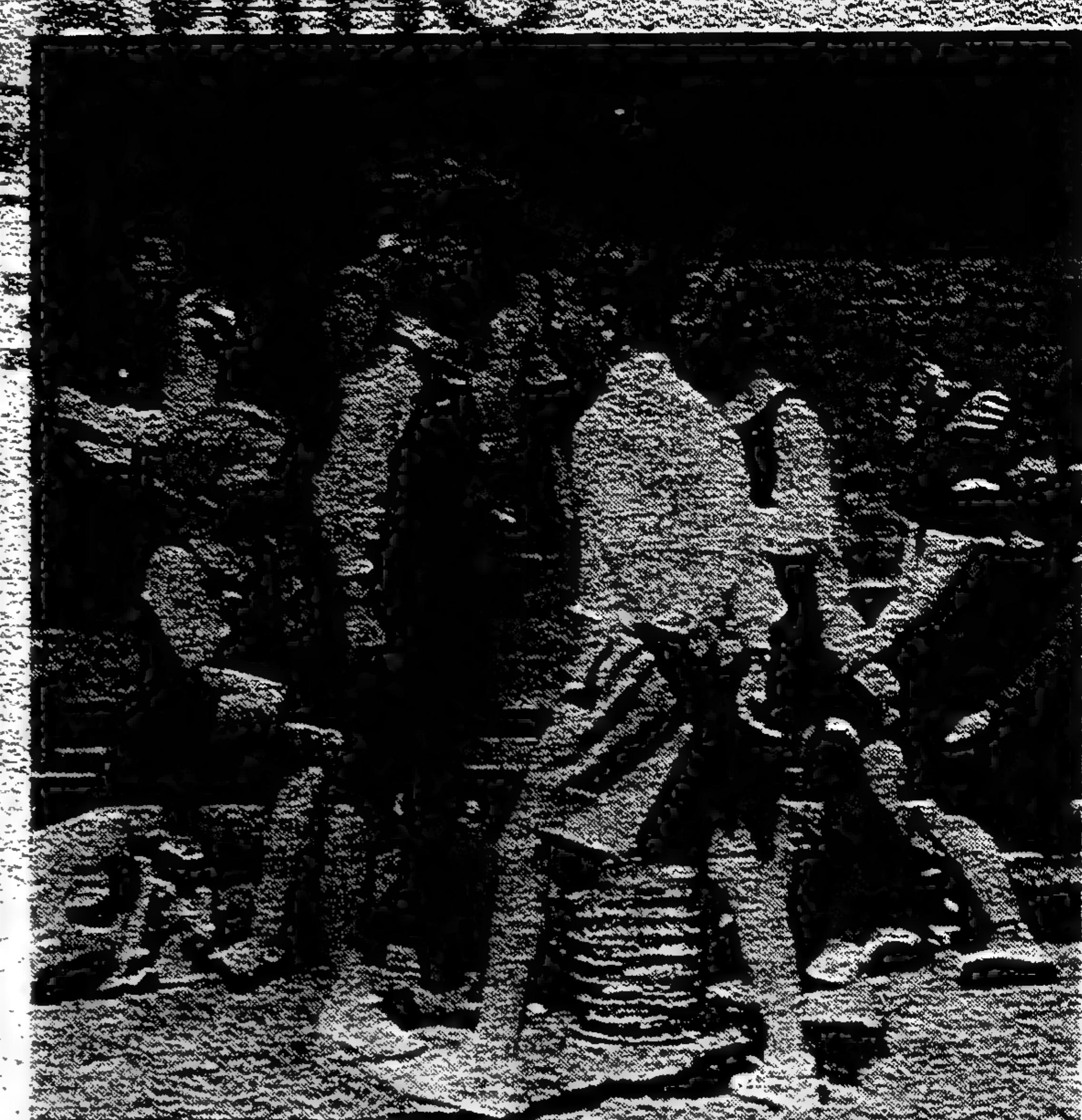
Jannice left the dining room, the gauntlet and saying, "This is a young man," and, having done with it, but she knew that it would be madness. She had not anywhere else to go, and now were sickeningly difficult to get. "It was her brother," she said coldly.

But Aunt Edith gave her to understand that was the end. She was having no more excuses. She was having no more novelties. To Jannice it all seemed rather a waste of living. Long summer, sweet days and the scent of roses. Long sweet nights and laughing voices echoing up from the beach, in with the wave noise. "One of these nights," she told herself, "One of these nights I'll have to join them."

The night came. A June with the roses and Aunt Edith having been peculiarly trying. How she had managed to be so cross at Easter, Jannice could not think now, but then of course she had wanted something. They had played Patience all through the evenings. Bed had come round at a quarter to ten.

In her own room Jannice could hear the sound of voices and the sea. "Sand-i?" she asked herself. It was too easy. She slipped into the new white woollen bathing dress, and clipped a helmet on to her head. She brought out a big towelling cloak and was across the sill before she had even lit a thought. Aunt Edith would never stir, and she could not back the way she had come. She raced across the greensward and screamed.

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Two pictures taken by the "Mail" photographer between events at the Quarry Bay School Sports, which were held last week.

Some Quiet Thoughts On The Subject Of Shaving

THOUGH this is a world of trimmed locks and shaven faces, so far as men are concerned, bona fide pogonotomists are apparently as rare as accredited progenitors of masculine tonsorial precision.

According to historical records, men have been shaving (practicing pogonotomy as a daily rite) since the time of Scipio the younger, but probably it all began much earlier, judging from the bronze razors uncovered among artifacts of ancient Babylonia and Egypt.

But even with all those years of experience, all too few have reached the high and expert stage qualifying them to the title "pogonotomist". Too many are still unskilled artisans with tools that scrape off large and sundry portions of the face as well as the whiskers.

So says the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research where four years of academic investigations pertaining to the problems of shaving have now been completed. It was accurately determined that few men really know how to shave properly. The results are published by Dr. Lester Holland and Elbridge J. Caselman who direct the research.

Intimate before breakfast associations with two-score subjects were involved. Whiskers were graded beforehand all the way from fury pubescent to wiry hirsute. Blondes and brunettes as well as hirsuto-rufous types were studied. The purpose was to find out just why men blame their poor results at shaving on the razors or else claim theirs is the toughest beard and tenderest skin in four counties. The outstanding difficulty located was "Shavers don't take time to prepare their faces properly."

According to the report, manufacturers are far more successful in making uniformly sharp

blades than are the users in softening their beards. Here are some of the findings of the research bound to upset many of the "old wives' tales" traditional among shavers:

"Lather does not soften whisker but acts as a vehicle for the water which does; soap removes hair oils so water may soften the hair. Whiskers should soak a full two minutes or more between lathering and shaving; white hair of older men requires five minutes. Teeth in razor blades are unnecessary; perfect edges shave best. So-called 'soft' blades do not exist, for manufacturers could make no profit from steel that does not sharpen easily. The angle between razor head and face, and the blade edge angle are important. Finally, after-shaving lotion is relatively unimportant if shaving technique is good and the razor scientifically designed."

No mention was made in the report of the relative merit of electric shavers which have sprung into sudden popularity in some sections. Though this is not a research-founded statement, still from another part of the continent Howard Vincent O'Brien in his recently published "Notes for a Book About Mexico" asks the public to:

"Consider the electric razor. Seduced by advertising, one tries it; then, hardly knowing it, one becomes a slave to progress. But woe to him when he boards a railroad train. His gadget, so excellent in the domestic scene, will not work on the lower voltage of a Pullman. He must either buy one specially designed, which is extravagant and silly; or he must revert to the razor which cuts instead of clips, the brutal edge which bites into flesh as well as hair. Tenderly caressing a face which smarts from treatment to which it has long been accustomed. I sit, pondering the reputed advantages of invention."



Spectators at King's College Sports. ("Mail" photo).

CABBAGES AND KINGS

BUILDER: "This is a house without a flaw, sir."

Owner: "Well, what in the world do you stand on, then?"

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Artist: "I've been doing some very good work lately. I think I shall hold an exhibition of my paintings."

Friend: "Well, take my tip, and if you do, don't go getting rheumatism sitting on the cold pavement."

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"What do you think of my new hat? I earned it myself."

"How was that?"

"I trained my husband not to smoke."

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First Angler: "I caught a fish so big that my friends wouldn't let me pull it aboard in case the boat was swamped."

Second Angler: "I quite believe you. I once had a similar experience on board the Queen Mary."

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"No, Jimmy, one piece of pudding is enough for you."

"It's funny, Mother. You say you are anxious that I should learn to eat properly, and yet you won't give me a chance to practise."

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"I dunno 'ow it is, but the Parkers always seem to be quarrellin'. I suppose it's six of one and half a dozen of the other."

"Well, from wot I hear, Mrs. Hobbs, it's the other way about!"

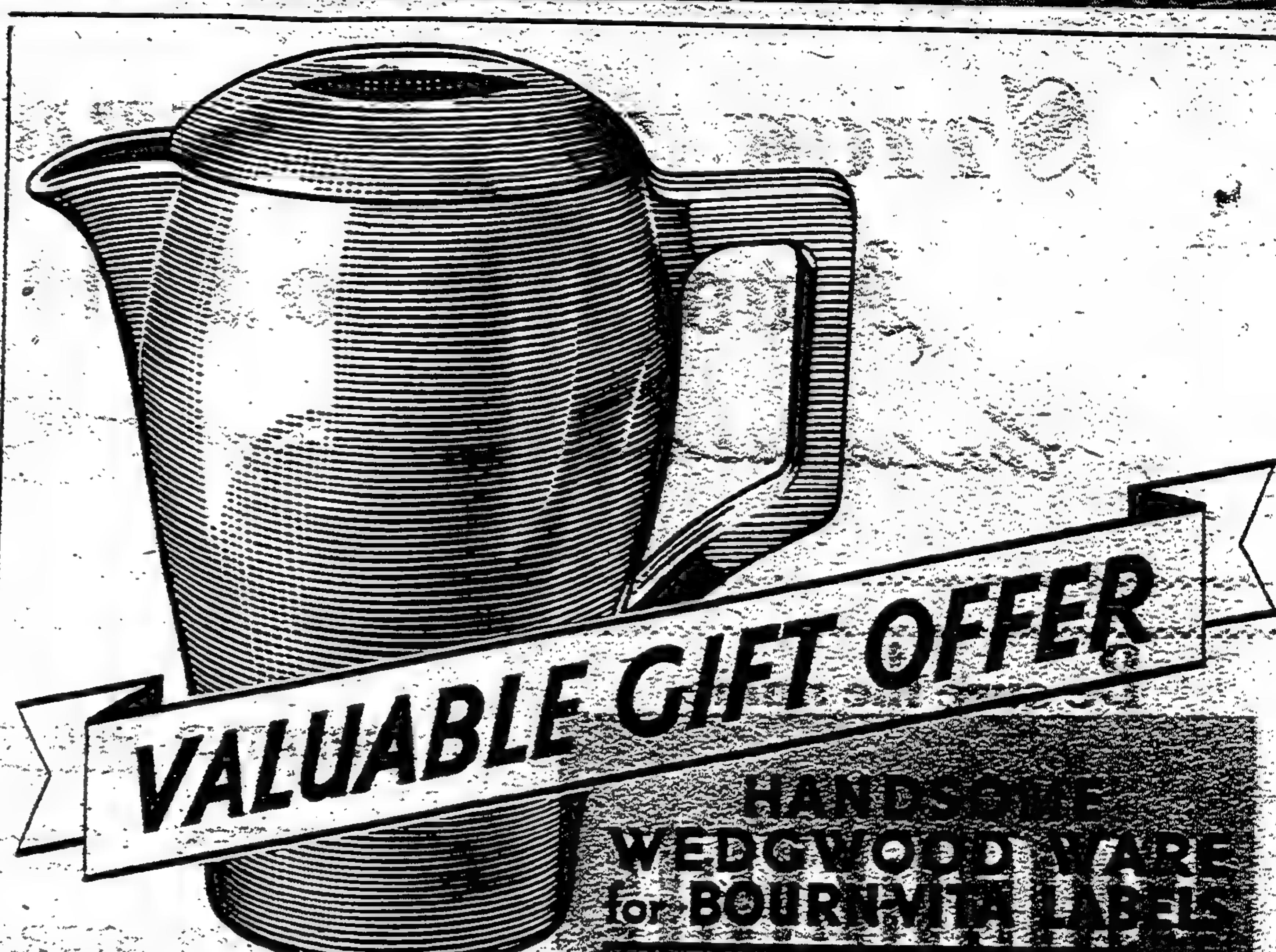
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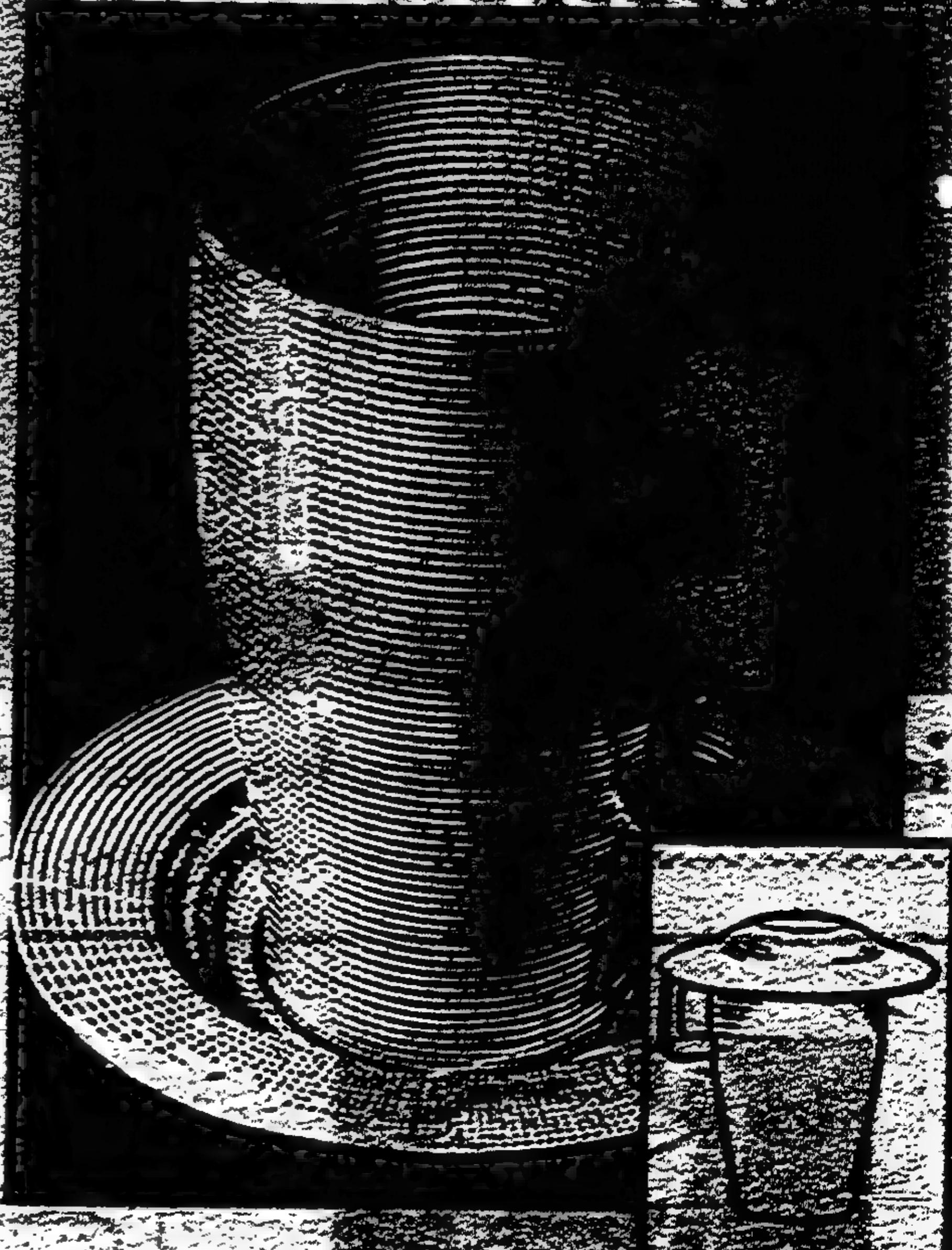
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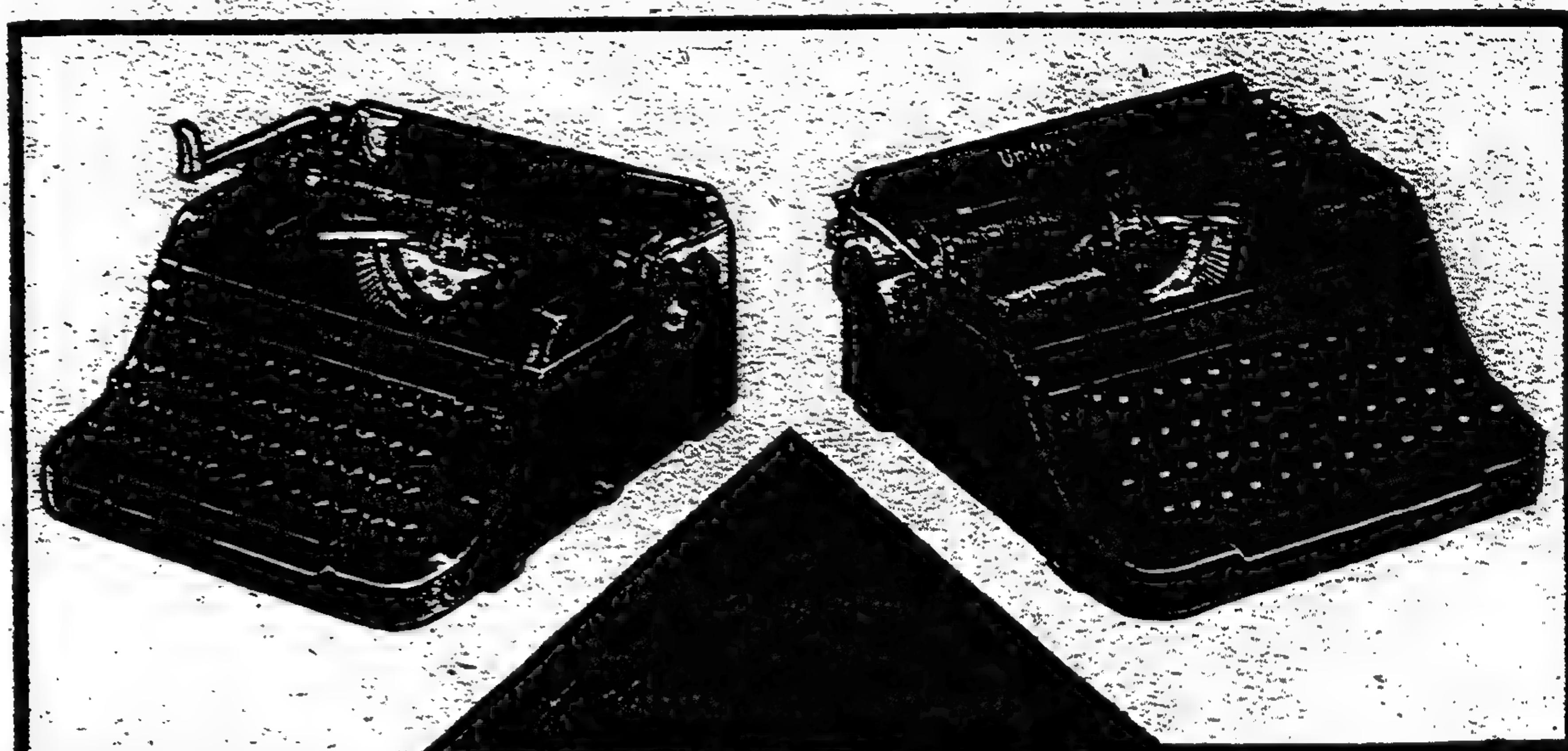
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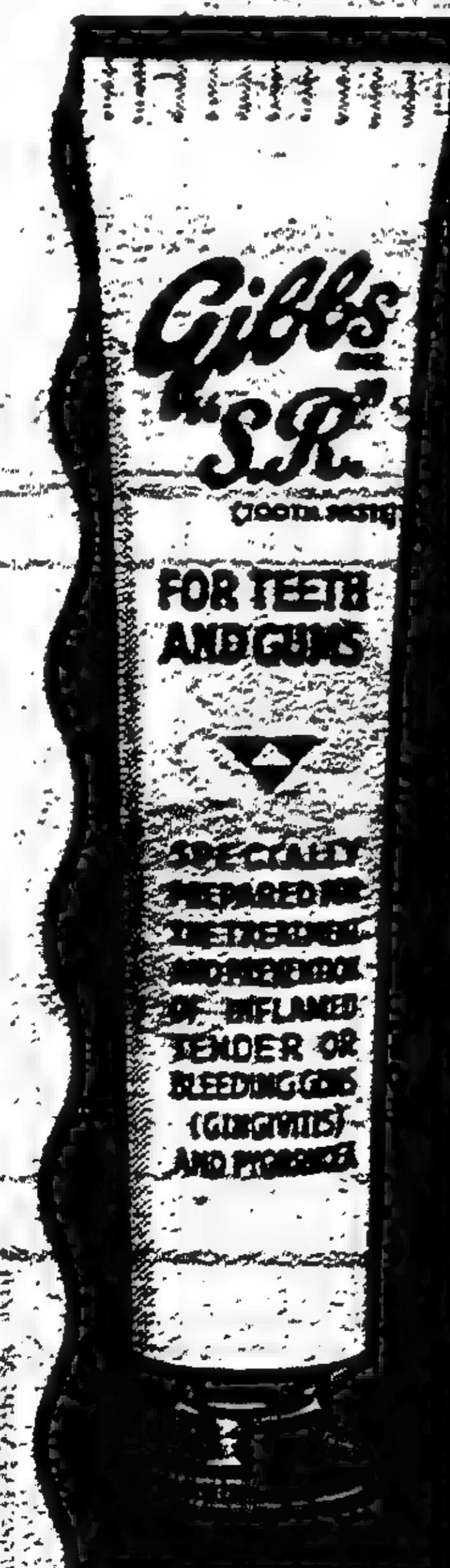


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AT THE international mayhem party of 1937-38 contestants looked at their chewed-up countenances in the mirror, decided to get together and have everybody take the pledge.

The league got along all right at first, with everybody on good behaviour, and all sat politely around the parlour making noble resolutions. Among the more distinguished were smug-mug Britain, bluebeard Russia, cagey France, wily Japan, Italy, whose shoes were too tight, and Germany in a prison-made suit.

EVENTUALLY little idiosyncrasies began to crop out as the veneer wore off. It was strongly suspected that there was at least one kleptomaniac in the crowd. China missed Manchuria and accused Japan. Japan quickly changed the license plates on Manchuria, slipped it to a Chinese stooge as "Manchukuo" and defied the world to prove that she had it.

This piece of sleight-of-hand was rather clumsily performed, however, and when the league began to upbraid Japan she got mad around the corners of the mouth, took her dishes and went home.

A subsequent episode was a temperamental tantrum thrown by Germany, who had been sulking from the start. She flounced out after loudly proclaiming that she had been falsely convicted of war guilt, wanted her colonies back and did not intend to sit there any longer being treated like an ex-con.

Hardly had this commotion subsided when anguished cries arose from another corner. Mussolini had Haile Selassie down on the floor and was putting the boot to him. He claimed Haile had drawn a knife on him. Although league members slapped at Mussolini with sanctions and folded newspapers they could not get him off of Haile, who lost his country in the fracas and was lucky to escape with his beard and umbrella.

IL DUCE never got over his rough treatment he had received at the hands of the league. Spain looked pretty good. It appeared that "Legs" Franco might be able to break in if he had some dynamite instead of a crowbar. The only difficulty was that Russia had put a special watchman in the joint, on shares. Still the idea was worth trying.

MUSSOLINI then sprang his big surprise—he was withdrawing from the League of Nations. This was no surprise to anybody, as Il Duce had been on strike from the League for more than a year. But the Italian people had to act like it was a surprise.

About 100,000 of them stood out in front of the Venetian Palace to hear Mussolini tell them about it.

"We possess the heroic spirit of revolution, which no human strength in the world has ever been capable of bending," Il Duce told them.

Patient Nature, who had heard this sort of talk time and again from the Caesars and other predecessors of Mussolini, had to wait couldn't wait any longer, and let go all over him and his faithful followers.

As nobody yet has been able to walk out on Nature, they just had to stand there and take it.

LOCKED OUT

(Continued from Page 1)

bled down the cliff. Below was the crowd. Moonlight on the sea. Whisper of the waves, and the enchantment of a June night.

Ralph saw her first. "Jannice, so you've managed it at last?"

"It's utterly lovely."

"I'll race you to the water."

They raced side by side with the sand flying beneath their feet; the air was warm and the water so warm that they hardly knew when they had entered it. Nothing mattered any more. They were cutting through it side by side, with the phosphorescence on their arms. Stars up above. The buoyance of the water.

"Oh, Jannice, I have so wanted you to come down here."

"I've wanted to come so much."

They swam for some time and came at last back to the shore, with the air seeming cold after the water. They scrambled up into the hut. There was hot coffee and poached eggs. One of the party had a Hawaiian guitar and was singing sweet Hawaiian songs to it. To Jannice it was a dream; something out of a play, something sweet and remote and lovely. It could perhaps never happen again, but did that matter? She had her moment now.

The others had dressed. She had rubbed down, but her bathing frock was chilly. The bath towel too was not so warm as she had thought it would be when she had bought it.

Above them hung the golden moon, and the stars looked large and unreal. "A heavenly night," said Ralph's sister.

Last of all Ralph took Jannice home. "I'd better see you back into the dragon's castle."

"She isn't really a dragon, you know."

"Well, first cousin."

The whole little town was bathed in moonlight and very still. Not a breath touched the roses pouring out their scent to the stars. They entered in at the tiny gate, walking carefully along the grass, on tip-toe. They came to the bedroom window. It was shut.

For a moment Jannice did not believe it; she turned to Ralph. "Somebody has shut it."

"She must have been here. I'll have a shot with a penknife." He brought it out, and began scraping.

Jannice knew now that she was terribly worried. She knew now that nobody save Aunt Edith could possibly have come and shut the window; she knew that she was inevitably locked out.

"It isn't any good," he said at last.

"What do I do?"

"Come back and sleep at our place, or throw up a handful of gravel and disturb the old bird."

"I can't come back to your place."

Ralph turned to her. "Look here, don't be a little fool; don't take this sitting down. Leave me to handle this." And he flung up the first handful. It was such a success that it broke one of the

precious diamond leaded panes. On the instant a head shot out, which, as Ralph explained later, only showed that she had been lying in wait.

"How dare you?" gasped Aunt Edith.

"Madam, your niece is locked out."

"My niece had no business to be out."

"Will you kindly come down and open the door?" enquired Ralph.

"Aunt Edith . . ." began Jannice, but Aunt Edith was not holding parley. She had her say.

"I never gave Jannice permission to go out at this time of night, nor to come home with a young man. I don't understand it, and what is more, I don't pretend to understand it. It's a disgrace."

"Will you come down and open the door?"

"On condition that my niece packs her things and leaves in the morning," announced Aunt Edith.

She had expected this would reduce Jannice to pulp; she had expected this would be the end of the whole affair. Give the girl a good fright, and this sort of thing would not be happening again. She'd take care of that.

But she hadn't reckoned on Ralph. Just as Jannice gave a little squeak of dismay, he caught at her hand and held it hard. "Your niece," he said, "is leaving you now. She has got a better job. I happen to be a fairly prominent writer, and I need a secretary. Good-night, and don't trouble to open the door."

He went off pulling Jannice along with him.

The dismayed Aunt Edith shrieked something from her window. Only the stars and the roses heard it. Jannice still being led along did not understand what was happening.

"But I can't leave her like that."

"Oh yes, you can. You have done, anyway."

"But I haven't any clothes."

"We'll send for those in the morning; meanwhile my sister can fix you up."

"But I can't sponge on strangers."

"Now look here, don't be a little noodle. Can you type?"

"After a fashion."

"Then you are going to be my secretary. There's a pile of typing so high waiting to be done. I had thought of sending up for a girl to do it for me. Now I've found one closer at hand."

Then suddenly he saw that she was crying. He stopped dead. "Jannice, my poor little dear, what is it all about?"

A manly shoulder is very comforting. She found herself collapsing on to it, without more ado.

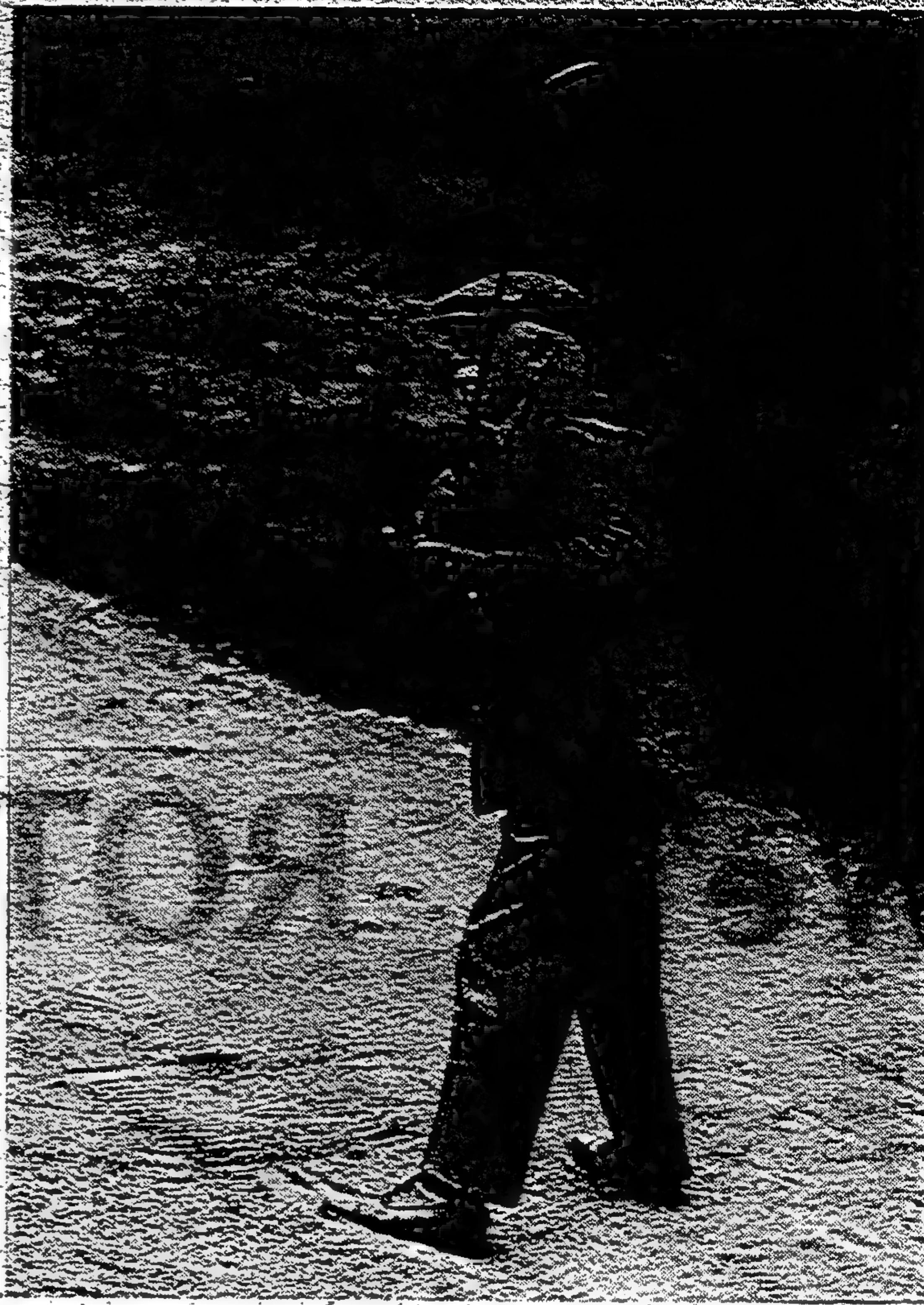
"I'm so cold," she said.

"Gosh, yes. I forgot that when the knight rescued Andromeda she had so little on. Selfish brute that I am. You come along home and have a jolly good toddy. They weren't invented in Andromeda's time, but thank God, we've got them now."

"It seems all very frightening. Such a big step to take," she whispered.

"Yes, and there may be bigger steps ahead." His eyes twinkled at her. "But anyway one step at a time. Now then, double up, quick march."

They trotted up Connaught Avenue side by side.



Mr. David Lloyd George, holidaying on the Riviera, played his daughter Miss Megan Lloyd George, M.P., a round of golf on his 75th birthday. During the game Mr. Lloyd George remarked "Golf is good training for politicians—because it is full of bunkers" (Copyright).



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A spectre is haunting England: the spectre of unsportsmanlike behaviour. So serious has the matter become that . . . well, I hate to frame the question, but . . .

HAVE OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS FAILED US?

I know that this question will send the chill breath of horror surging round the Carlton Club, but I must do my duty, even though it means that paralysis will freeze the hand that writes letters to the "Times," signed "Old Harrovian."

Although I refuse, absolutely, to credit the absurd rumour that has been going about that an Etonian cheated at halma last week, I wonder whether we could still win the battle of Waterloo.

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Day after day, the papers headline, "Scene in This" and "Scene in That." And, worst of all, there are displays of bad temper in almost every kind of sport, even including those taught at public schools.

Not only has it a bad effect on British prestige, but also on the discipline of the lower orders, those who work for a living, and, therefore, can never hope to become gentlemen.

One effect of this falling-off in the example set by the ruling class is shown very clearly in an article in a London evening paper.

"It is," says the author, "ridiculous that in a time of prosperity we should still have 1,800,000 people out of employment. This is due very largely to the inelasticity of wages and the natural reluctance of a certain number of people to work for less money than they can obtain by not working at all."

If a proper sense of sportsmanship had been inculcated into the lower classes there would be no unemployment. Each wage-earner would just hand back to the boss half his earnings, with a remark, "Now you can afford to employ another man as well. The boss gets twice as much work, and, therefore, double profits. His wife and daughters would be able to wear twice as many fur coats, and eat twice as many champagne suppers, and everything in the garden would be lovely.

Especially for the workman, who would get a wonderful sense of satisfaction from the knowledge that he had Played The Game.

But, as it is, someone said in a police court the other day that there was one law for the rich and another for the poor. Although no sane person could conceive of any such bias by a

have known how to deal with their unsportsmanlike behaviour.

Those Romans were real sportsmen. Even dumb animals got their fair share. They gave the lions plenty of fun with the early Christians. Nowadays, the treatment the King of Beasts gets from us means being shut up in a cage in the Zoo without the chance of ever getting a spot of whoopee.

What makes the situation so serious is that it is not a matter of just a few individuals being unsportsmanlike, but the nation as a whole. Parliament is always passing anti-sporting laws. Why, it's even illegal nowadays for the Lord of the Manor to take a day off peasant hunting, and lynching is seriously frowned on in certain quarters.

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It is, in fact, only in war that true sportsmanship remains, and

Just as a sportsman shoots a maimed horse rather than see it suffer.

It is doubtful, however, whether even General Franco is not exceeded by the Japanese in sportsmanship. True, they are rotten shots, but if they miss the game they are aiming at, and hit a cow, or a British Ambassador, they are on the spot, almost before they have fired, with a humble apology.

In fact, I hear of one unfortunate incident when, owing to a subaltern's watch stopping, the apology actually arrived before the time of the honourable incident for which apologies were being made.

Franco plays the White Man by refusing, in the best tradition of sportsmanship to sneak on Mussolini for bombing British ships, but Japan is likely to go one further. Rather than see Mussolini kept in after school-

I mean, detained by discussions on the Nyon Committee, she is prepared to supply apologies packed in convenient boxes of honourable dozens, taking the blame for any future acts of piracy in the Mediterranean.

* * *

I hope, after what I have said, you will do everything in your power to bring about a rerudescence of sportsmanship in the life of the British nation, and make us all worthy of winning a seat for Windsor and Eton on the pushing fields of Waterloo Station. And, now, excuse me dashing off, but I've got to go out and buy a beer for the chap who's refereeing my best of the office Judo championship to-night.



magistrate, such as calling a man who stole bread to feed his starving children "thief" and a rich woman who steals a diamond necklace "kleptomaniac," it shows which way the wind is blowing. It ain't 'arf a nasty, draughty wind, too.

A man who could suggest such a thing as this is not far removed from a doper of racehorses or a shooter of foxes, or suggesting that undergraduates should be pinched for knocking off policemen's helmets on Boat Race night.

Even more horrible, if possible, is the commercialisation of sport. One hears of boxers refusing to fight until terms are fixed up to their satisfaction. Had the gladiators of ancient Rome gone on strike, Rome would

it is foreigners, whom we taught to play games, from whom we must relearn the meaning of sport.

Take, for example, that greatest of living sportment General Franco. Did he not, when he surrounded Bilbao, warn the inhabitants that, unless they surrendered, he would razze the town to the ground? Is this not the spirit of a man who has been educated never to shoot a sitting partridge?

And he is humane, too. Take this recent broadcast from a Spanish radio station (not the Red card), referring to his bombing operations: "General Franco reserves the right to operate on live meat, as a surgeon amputates a gangrened limb when necessary," to end the war.

In And U.S To Invoke Escalator Clause

London, To-day. Son to believe that Britain, like the United States, has decided to invoke the escalator clause of the Naval Treaty in the face of the Soviet's refusal to furnish details of her building.

It requires a period of three months to determine whether the escalator clause is invoked before tonnage is laid down, and the actual date of new British and American battleships will not be settled until this consultation opens.

K TO BRITAIN

London, To-day. Government is composed of an unofficered General newspaper made in agreement with Danish government, who are exiled in Copenhagen.

France at present is not anxious to embark on heavier battleship tonnage, but her final attitude is likely to depend on Germany and the Soviet.

The Soviet attitude is extremely important, writes Reuter's diplomatic correspondent, because should Moscow decide to increase the size of battleships for use in Far Eastern waters, Germany might feel bound to build upward, thereby involving an increase in French tonnage.—Reuter.

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London, To-day. Mr. Chamberlain in defining the attitude of the Government to the recent Soviet proposal, said it appeared to involve less consultation with a view to a settlement than the concerting of action against an eventuality which had not yet arisen and its object appeared to negotiate mutual undertaking in advance to resist aggression such as he had already stated the unwillingness of His Majesty's Government to accept.—British Wireless.

GOERING LEAVES FOR AUSTRIA

Berlin, To-day. Field-Marshal Hermann Goering left Berlin yesterday for Austria, where he will make a prolonged stay.

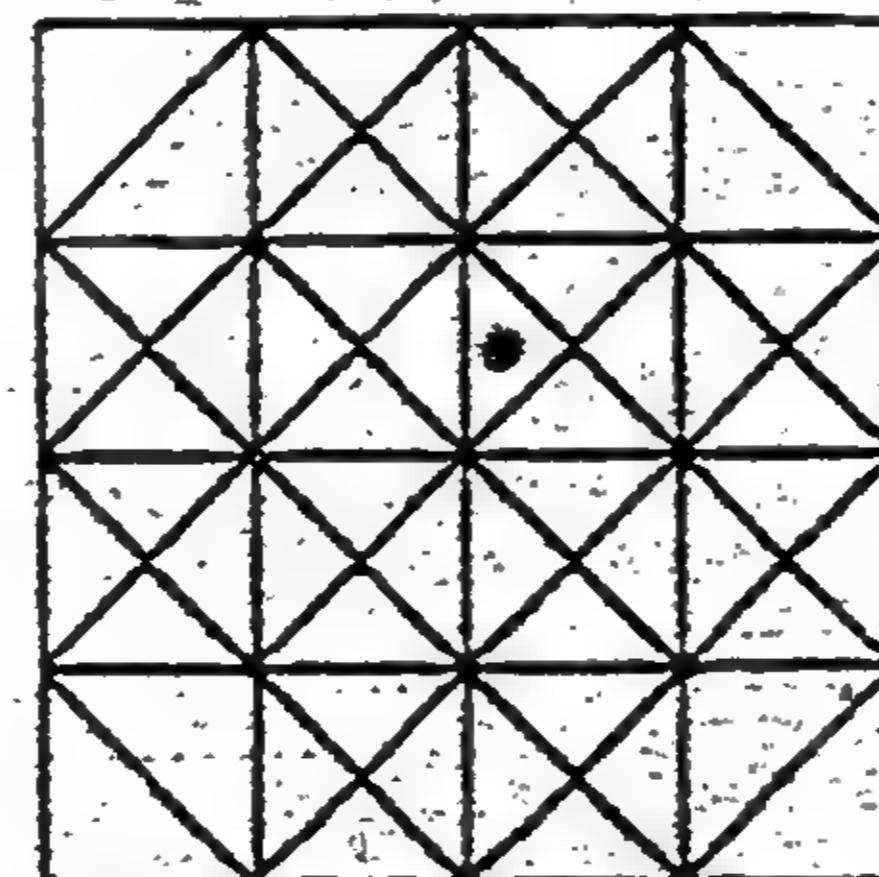
He will make several speeches in Austria in connection with the plebiscite.

Field-Marshal Goering will inspect the Austrian air force and will also attend to economic affairs in his capacity of Minister responsible for the German Four-Year Plan.—Trans-Ocean.

BARRIERS DOWN

Berlin, To-day. Goods imported from Austria into Germany will be duty free as from Saturday this week, says a statement issued by the Ministry of Finance.—Trans-Ocean.

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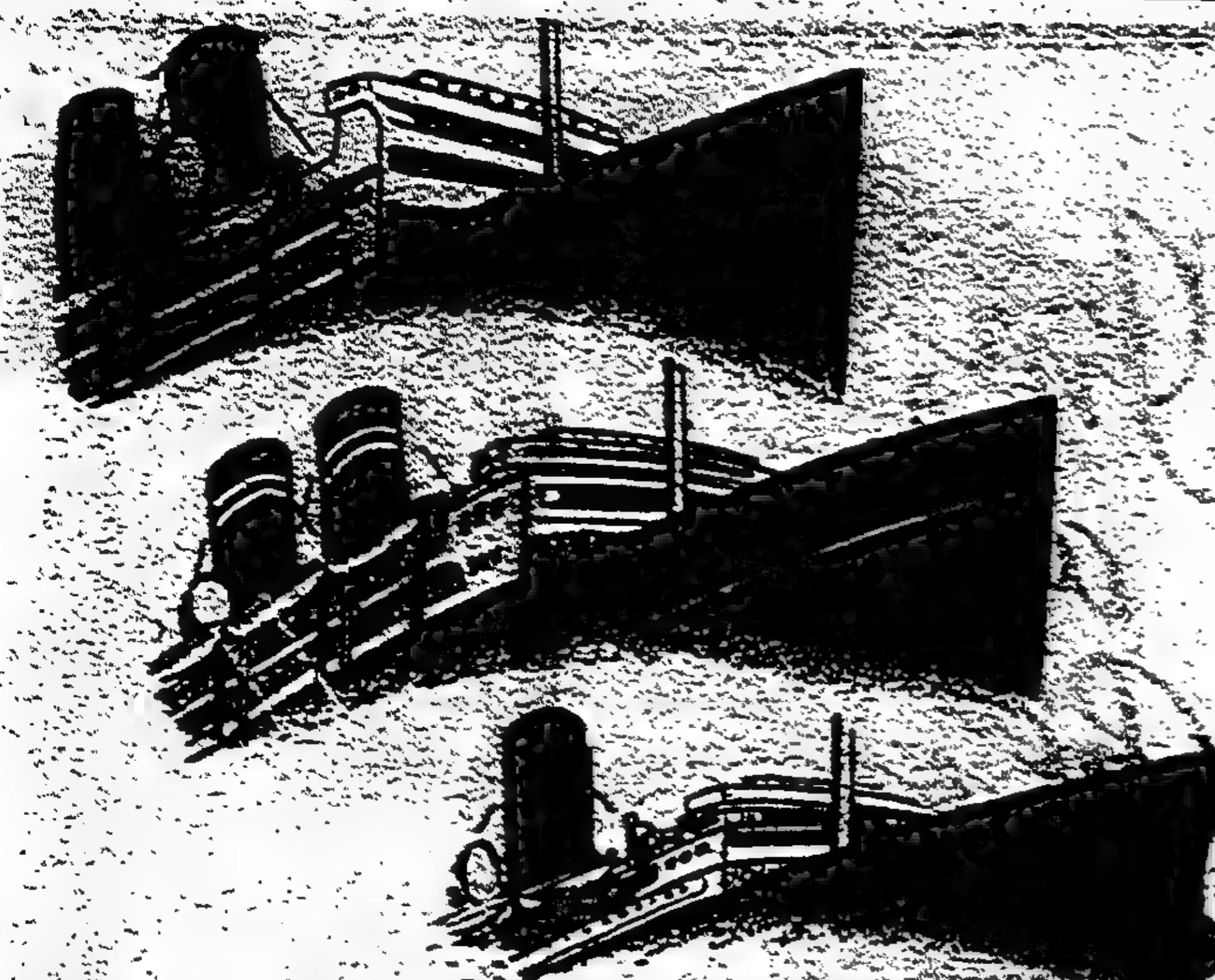
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Saturday	
Imperial Airways Plane	March 26, Imperial Airways Plane Sat, Mar. 26.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service" — due London, 3rd April	G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 26, 8 a.m.
Ord.	Mar. 26, 9 a.m.
Air Mail for "Australia by Imperial Airways Service" — due Darwin, 30th March	Imperial Airways Plane Sat, Mar. 26, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 26, 8 a.m.
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SEATTLE & VANCOUVER (starts from Kobe)

HIYE MARU Monday, 11th Apr.

NEW YORK via Panama

ENOTO MARU Tuesday, 3rd May

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Hilo, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama

TAKAOKA MARU (from Kobe) Saturday, 23rd April

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM

TERUKUNI MARU Friday, 25th Mar.
HAKUSAN MARU Saturday, 26th April
HARIMA MARU Saturday, 23rd Apr.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, and Marseilles

DAKAR MARU Friday, 8th Apr.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports

ATSUTA MARU Saturday, 26th Mar.
KITANO MARU Saturday, 23rd Apr.

BOMBAY

TOYAMA MARU Saturday, 26th Mar.
KUNISHIMA MARU Saturday, 9th Apr.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon

TSUSHIMA MARU Friday, 25th Mar.

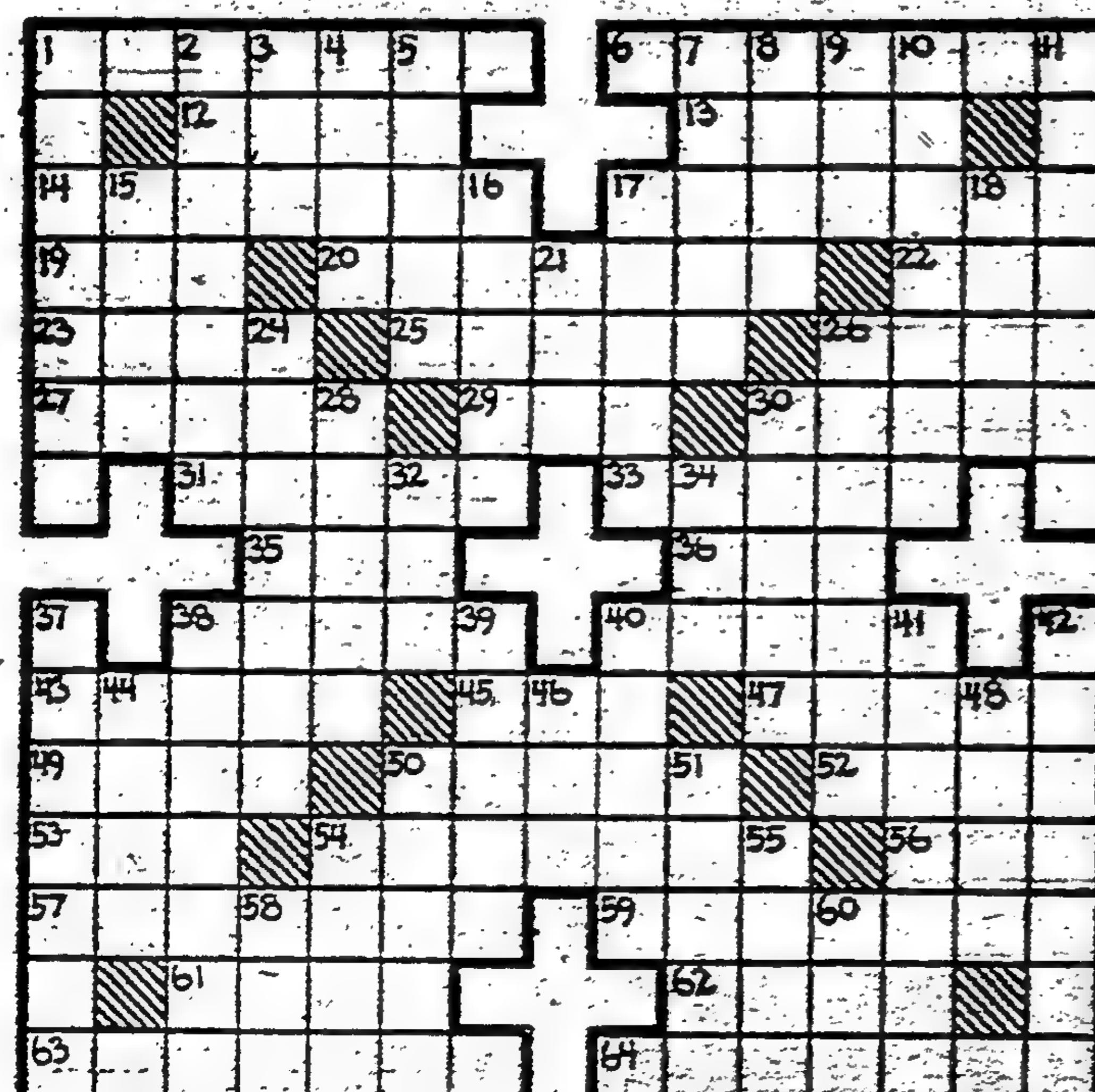
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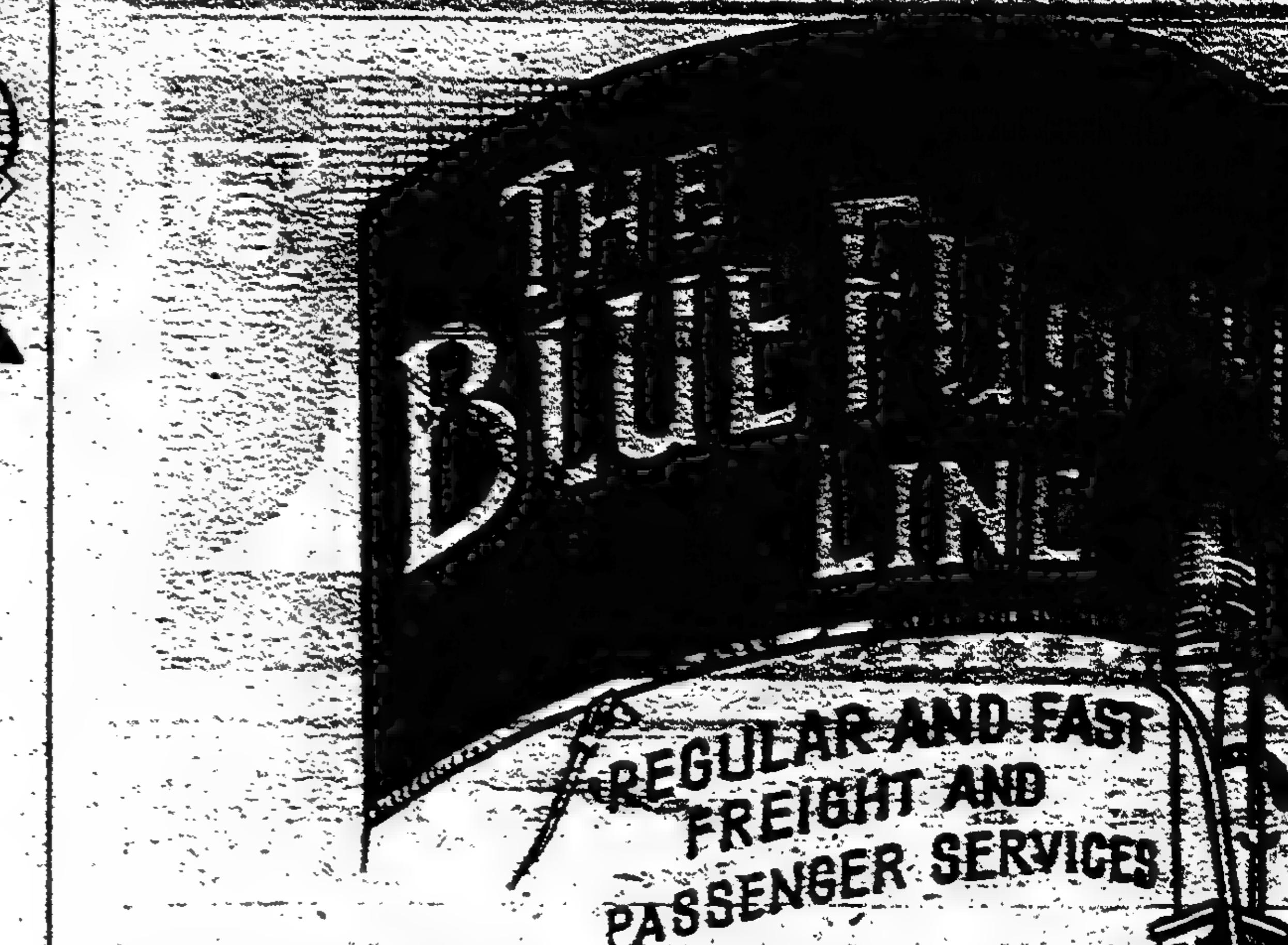
- 1-Spectator
- 6-Wrinkled
- 12-Combining form, Air
- 13-A bearing (Her.)
- 14-Revolves
- 17-Narcotics
- 19-Knock
- 20-Decides
- 22-Trade marks (abbr.)
- 23-On the ocean
- 25-Stains
- 26-Powdered (Her.)
- 27-Intrepidity
- 29-A vegetable
- 30-Javelin
- 31-Fathers
- 33-Bargains
- 35-Artifice
- 36-Grassy meadow
- 38-Rob
- 40-Searches
- 42-Tolerated
- 45-Corroded
- 47-Part of a flower
- 48-Indigent
- 50-Sheer

HORIZONTAL (CONT.)

- 52-Vex
- 53-Tavern
- 54-Persuade by flattery
- 55-Numbers (abbr.)
- 57-Containing more reeds
- 58-Barbarians
- 61-Inflamed place on the skin
- 62-Seal with wax
- 63-Kind of dog (pl.)
- 64-Forsakes

VERTICAL

- 16-Ceases
- 17-Wide-mouthed pots
- 18-Girl's name
- 21-Blind
- 24-Sky pilot
- 25-Creator
- 28-Made a mistake
- 30-Slumber
- 32-Greek tetter
- 34-A beverage
- 37-Aims at
- 38-Earliest
- 39-Tardier
- 40-Plants
- 41-Insect's offensive weapon
- 42-Consecrates
- 44-Pitch
- 45-Golf mound
- 48-Dried plant
- 50-Strap
- 51-Location
- 54-Telegram
- 55-Evenings (Poet.)
- 58-Spoon
- 60-Metric land measure
- 61-Relieve
- 64-Last dinner course
- 65-Relieve



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CHANGTIE	16 June	17 June	20 June	6 July
TAIPING	8 July	15 July	18 July	3 Aug.

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To SANDAKAN

"Himsang" 15th Apr. 10 a.m.

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and CALCUTTA

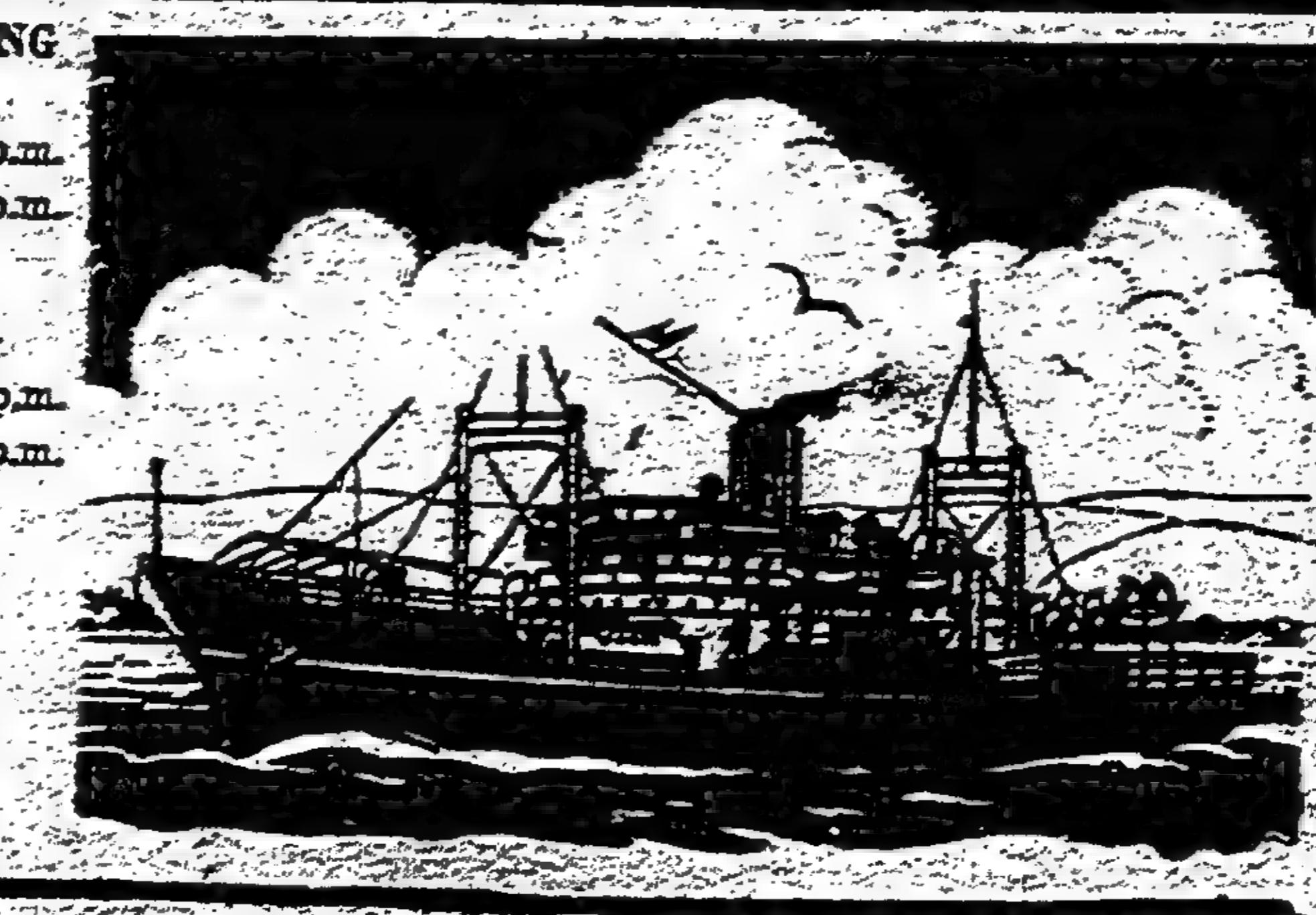
"Hosang" 9th Apr. 2 p.m.

"Mansang" 14th Apr. 2 p.m.

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"Yuensang" 1st Apr. 5 p.m.



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LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and
equities in local share quotations this
morning:

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1525 b.
Bank of East Asia \$38 b.

INSURANCES

Union Ins \$580 b.
China Underwriters \$2 b.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS

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H. K. and K. Wharves \$133½ b.

PROVIDENTS

(Old) \$345 b., \$3,472/-

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Antamoks Ps. 51 sa.

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Ps. 27 sa.

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Ps. 43½ sa.

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\$97 b.

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H. K. Tramways \$15.40 b., \$15.30/-

50 SA.

Peak Trams (Old) \$7 b.

STAR FERRIES

\$84½ b.

CHINA LIGHTS

(Old) \$11.90 b., \$12 sa.

H. K. ELECTRICS

\$59¾ b., \$59 sa.

MACAO ELECTRICS

\$18 sa.

Sandakan Lights \$14½ b.

TELEPHONES

(Old) \$27 b., \$27 sa.

TELEPHONES (NEW)

\$10 b., \$9.90 sa.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$17.55 b., \$17½/5.55 sa.

STORES, &c.

Watsons \$6.60 b.

SINCERES

\$2.20 b.

Wm. Powell, Ltd. 60 cts. b.

MISCELLANEOUS

Constructions \$1½ b.

WALLACE HARPERS

\$9.55 b.

Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) \$/- 2/10 b.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-13/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London on Saturday at 20½% and forward at 20½%.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.9606 and the New York on London rate at £—U.S.\$4.963/16.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co. have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

April/June 20 b. down 5/8.

July/Sept. 21 b. down 1½.

Oct/Dec. 21½ b. down 1½.

Market: Steady.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

KWANTH RACES

Sunday.—27th March, 1938.
Train leaves Kowloon, 1.25 p.m.



PUBLIC NOTICE

The attention of all Registered Medical Practitioners and all persons or firms in any way connected with the importation, possession, distribution or Sale of Anti-Smallpox Vaccine Lymph is drawn to Government Notification No. 143 dated the 14th February, 1936 (Ordinance No. 32 of 1935, Importation and Exportation):

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P. S. SELWYN CLARKE
Director Of Medical Services.
Hong Kong, March 24, 1938.

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SCALIUTIONS	RIDGE
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ENE	TRAVS

GOLF STARTING TIMES

Sunday's Pairings For Fanning

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanning next Sunday:

OLD COURSE	
9.12 am	F. C. Young, G. T. May.
9.16	L. M. S. Lloyd, A. G. I. Bowker.
9.20	P. C. Jackson, H. N. Williamson.
9.24	K. S. Morrison, A. Morse.
9.28	D. J. Gilmore, I. W. Shewan.
9.32	H. Foy, M. F. C. Haymes.
9.36	A. Sommerfelt, R. K. Valentine.
9.40	W. M. Barton, A. V. Greaves.
9.44	L. R. Andrewes, J. A. D. Morrison.
9.48	A. E. Lissaman, L. H. Geare.
9.52	G. O. Worrall, E. T. McMullen.
9.56	L. Goldman, J. H. M. Andrew.
10.00	H. E. the Governor.
10.04	S. H. Dodwell, O. E. C. Stenerson, F. Groves.
10.08	H. S. Jones, E. L. Groome.
10.12	R. Nelson, D. Humphreys.
10.16	J. Herron, E. P. Price.
10.20	K. E. Quick, D. L. Prophet.
10.24	P. Delaney, C. A. King.
10.28	H. F. Sommers, J. W. Mayhew.
10.32	A. Murdoch, H. S. Hills.
10.36	R. G. Parker, I. P. Taworth.
10.40	Capt. Holmes, W. N. A. Smalley.
10.44	Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Smalley.
NEW COURSE	
10.16 a.m.	M. H. Turner, A. W. Hughes.
10.44	Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Smalley.

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Following upon an interview with the Rents Commission, those persons who have answered the Association's questionnaire are requested to call upon the Commission between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on SATURDAY, 26th March at the Urban Council Chamber, top floor, Post Office Building.

They should bring with them rent receipts, landlord's or solicitor's letters announcing an increase of rent or giving notice to quit, and tenancy agreements, if any.

The Association, being bound to treat all answers to its questionnaire as confidential, is unable to forward them to the Commission. It is therefore important that persons who wish their cases to be considered by the Commission should themselves bring them to the notice of the Commission on Saturday, 26th March.

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SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING

BROKEN HILL H'CAP SHOULD PROVIDE BEST EVENT OF DAY

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MR. S. C. LIANG WILL BE RIDING

(By "RAPIER")

AN interesting programme of nine events will feature the Second Extra Race Meeting, of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, the first race of which will commence promptly at 2.00 p.m.

I expect fairly large fields to face the starter in the majority of the events, as satisfactory entries have been received. In races in which old and new ponies will clash for the first time, punters will be presented with some intricate problems.

The weather does not look too promising for to-morrow, as rain has been falling fairly consistently during the present week, and the track should, therefore, be on the soft side, in which event upsets can be expected.

I am glad to be able to report that Mr. S. C. Liang, our Champion in 1937, has fully recovered from his recent indisposition and will don colours to-morrow. I believe that Mr. W. H. S. Davis is making rapid progress in hospital, but in view of the serious nature of his injuries, it is doubtful whether he will be able to resume riding for some time to come. Mr. V. V. Needa is still here, and as Mr. H. C. Pih has transferred his affections to the Lan Stable, his place will be taken by Mr. H. P. Chanson in the Why Stable.

Mr. Chanson made his reappearance on the local track at the last meeting, after an absence of a few years, and although he failed to secure a win, his mounts should bear watching as it is reported that he has shown a remarkable improvement as a result of his sojourn in Shanghai.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT

An interesting item of news was revealed during the week, when it became known that, with the exception of Happy Eve, the Sassoon Stable had



disposed of all their ponies, the majority of which were bought by Mr. Li Lan Sang. By their action, it does not necessarily mean that the Sassoon Stable have decided to cease racing in Hong Kong.

It means that the ponies thus sold will be replaced by new ones, probably of a better standard, and it is safe, therefore, to predict that next year will see the Sassoon Stable making a determined effort to recapture the Blue Ribbon which evaded them this year.

RACE NO. 1: COOLGARDIE HANDICAP: FROM THE TWO-MILE POST ONCE ROUND AND IN

Australian ponies of this season, that have not won a race, are given an opportunity of doing so in this opening event, and eliminating the unlikely winners, I think the race should be decided between the following:

BREDON (MR. E. A. PROULX).



COLORADO STAR (MR. S. C. LIANG).
LUCKY LAD (MR. W. G. POY).
MACQUARIE RIVER (MR. S. W. TANG).

BREDON FAVOURED

With only 140 lbs. to carry, Sea Urchin (Mr. Black) looks rather tempting. In the course of preparation for the Annual Race Meeting, Bredon, which I regarded as among the best of this year's Australian ponies, suffered from an unknown ailment which prevented it from making an appearance. It is, therefore, making its debut to-morrow, and without belittling the opposition, I am of the opinion that Bredon should win, and probably without much difficulty.

A great deal, however, depends on whether Lucky Lad is thoroughly fit again. It went lame after coming in third in the First Section of the Sydney Maiden Stakes. I expect to see Lucky Lad giving Bredon a good run up to a certain stage, but it will have to do remarkably well to win.

Both Colorado Star and Macquarie River were beaten by Rex at the previous meeting, but they fought gamely for the second position, and one of them should fill the third place to-morrow. Sea Urchin, with its light handicap, may prove a good bet for venturesome punters.

CANTON HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS.

This race will be contested by "B" Class China ponies, according to the new classification list, and a survey of the entries reveals the fact that it is very difficult to point out the likely winner. Judging on past performances, Cameronian, which is a speedy animal, should prove the best over this short distance. I have no information as to which jockey will be entrusted with the task of riding Cameronian, as the Eu Tong Sen Stable have also entered Potentate, Rob Roy and Rose Queen.

If ridden by Mr. B. L. Tao, I prefer Cameronian for this race.

Potentate, Red Feather (Mr. S. W. Tang) and Royal Scot (Mr. C. L. Gregory) are given top weight of 165 lbs. and can be left out. Confusion Bay (Mr. Black) appears to me as the one capable of extending Cameronian, but with only 149 lbs. to carry, Honeymoon Eve (Mr. H. C. Pih) should have something to say at the finish. New Star (Mr. Y. T. Fung) has come down to 140 lbs., but I am not recommending

FRANCO-DUTCH DAVIS CUP MATCH FOR HOLLAND

Paris, to-day.—The Netherlands and France have agreed to hold their first round tie in the Davis Cup tournament, in the Netherlands.

The match will take place on May 7, 8, and 9, in the resort town of Scheveningen—Trans-Ocean.



it as the distance is far too short.
RACE NO. 3: ST. KILD'S HANDICAP: FROM THE 1½ MILE POST.

This race is for "C" Class Australian ponies, in which four members of the old brigade are given top weight of 165 lbs. i.e.

Discovery Bay (Mr. S. C. Liang).
Perfect Day (Mr. L. B. Chao).
Racing Heart (Mr. Tang Man Wa).
Zodiac (Mr. Y. T. Fung).

Discovery Bay came in third in the race which was won by Derby Day on the fifth day of the Annual Race Meeting, and, despite its heavy burden, I think it should just about win to-morrow. The fact that Twilight Star will be ridden by Mr. R. A. Proulx makes this pony a potential winner, but, somehow, I am inclined to the belief that this pony is more suited to a longer distance.

Brutus is a fast moving animal, and under Mr. A. W. Raymond it may win, as it did over the same distance once last year. Roofy (Mr. Poy) may fill a minor position, but I doubt whether it is good enough to win.

RACE NO. 4: SUB-GRIFFINS SPRING HANDICAP: 1½ MILES.

This is the most difficult race to forecast, as it is confined to the old and new subscription griffins. Louis XIV (Mr. S. W. Tang) and Rose Evelyn (Mr. B. L. Tao) are given top weight of 168 lbs., with Bistre (Mr. Chanson) following closely behind with 166 lbs.

After its recent win Planchet (Mr. Needa) has only been penalised by three lbs. The finish should be fought out between these three ponies. I fear that Rose Evelyn may find the distance just a little too long, but on the other hand Louis XIV has proved itself capable of carrying heavy weights, as evidence of which I need only refer to its easy win in the Sports Club Cup, over 1½ miles.

In the same race, however, Planchet was left lengths behind and it caught up with a magnificent effort, and judging on that performance, and its win at the First Extra Race Meeting, I think Mr. Needa should just about win again.

Good as Bistre is, I am afraid that it cannot beat either Louis XIV or Planchet. It must also be realised that Salvage Master (Mr. D. Black) has only 144 lbs. to shoulder, and this factor may be sufficient to enable it to create an upset.

RACE NO. 5: SWATOW HANDICAP: FROM THE TWO-MILE POST ONCE ROUND AND IN.

This is the first leg of the Daily Double, and to nominate the probable winner is a ticklish proposition, especially as the contenders will be ridden by our novice jockeys.

With 168 lbs. to carry, and the distance much too long for its liking, I cannot recommend Election Time (Mr. D. Spreckley). This pony has definitely improved, and over a sprint race it should prove dangerous.

Plain View has to carry 162 lbs. and under Mr. K. L. L. if it appears to be the natural choice, but it ran very badly at the previous meeting, and it will have to reveal better form in order to win to-morrow. Coming in third in the race which was won by Lightning Girl, I consider that Valorona (Mr. C. L. Gregory) has a good opportunity of fine other positions open.

winning there, and its chances will be considerably enhanced in case of bad weather. Plain View looks good for second, with Sylvandale (Mr. T. W. Chattey) third.

RACE NO. 6: BROKEN HILL HANDICAP: FROM THE 1½ MILE POST.

I consider this race to be the tit-bit of the afternoon, as it will be contested by six Australian ponies of known ability over this short distance:—i.e.

Blandford (Mr. B. L. Tao).
Courting Eve (Mr. H. C. Pih).
Double Finesse (Mr. Chanson).
Home Brew (Mr. A. W. Raymond).
Electron (Mr. V. V. Needa).
Lancashire Chips (Mr. Proulx).

Any one of these six ponies are capable of winning, but after its fine run at the First Extra Meeting, Lancashire Chips should command the most support, and I think it should again win.

But for the fact that Double Finesse will be ridden by a jockey who has had practically no experience with Australian ponies, I would have nominated it as a likely winner. Double Finesse can claim a win over Lancashire Chips, but on that occasion it was ridden by Mr. H. C. Pih.

Unless Blandford can get off to a good start, it will be unable to overhaul Lancashire Chips, so that the only other opposition left is Electron. Under Mr. Needa, this pony is capable of winning, and it will give Lancashire Chips a great run if it is able to get away quickly—a bad start will ruin its chances.

RACE NO. 7: KONGMUN HANDICAP: ONE MILE.

With 27 ponies entered, a difficult task is presented to those who succeed in making the right selection in the first leg of the "Daily Double," and it is conceivable that another big dividend



will be forthcoming. Eliminating the "duds," I think the winner will be found among the following—

Cape Comorin (Mr. F. F. Li).
Charybdis (Mr. Needa).
Fei Ying (Mr. A. W. Raymond).
Five Rulers (Mr. S. C. Liang).
Golden Cow (Mr. Y. T. Fung).
Lucky Eleven (Mr. K. S. Shu).

Golden Cow will probably find the weight of 168 lbs. just a little too much of a handicap. Cape Comorin and Charybdis did well in securing second and third respectively in the race won by Sea Dragon, and should be well supported accordingly.

My fancy, however, is Fei Ying, although it will be carrying 163 lbs. I have always maintained that Fei Ying is one of the best of this year's subscription griffins, and its failure in previous races has been most disappointing. I would recommend keeping Lucky Eleven in mind, although I am of the opinion that Fei Ying will win, with Golden Cow second, and the third place open.

RACE NO. 8: WUCHOW HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS.

Griffins of this season that have not won a race will be featured here, and the finish should be fought out between Hundrum Eve (Mr. H. C. Pih) and Lancashire Lass (Mr. Ip Kul Ying). There is not much to choose between these two, but for the fact that Lancashire Lass came in second to Handicap Eve in the Loiterers Stakes, and I think it should just about do the trick, with Hundrum Eve second, and Just In Time (Mr. S. C. Liang) third.

RACE NO. 9: FATSHAN HANDICAP: ONE MILE.

This is the last race of the day, and will be contested by "C" Class ponies. After its recent win, Commencement Bay, which has since changed hands, has been penalised by no less than 13 lbs., with its former stable mate, Boot Bay, still carry 168 lbs.

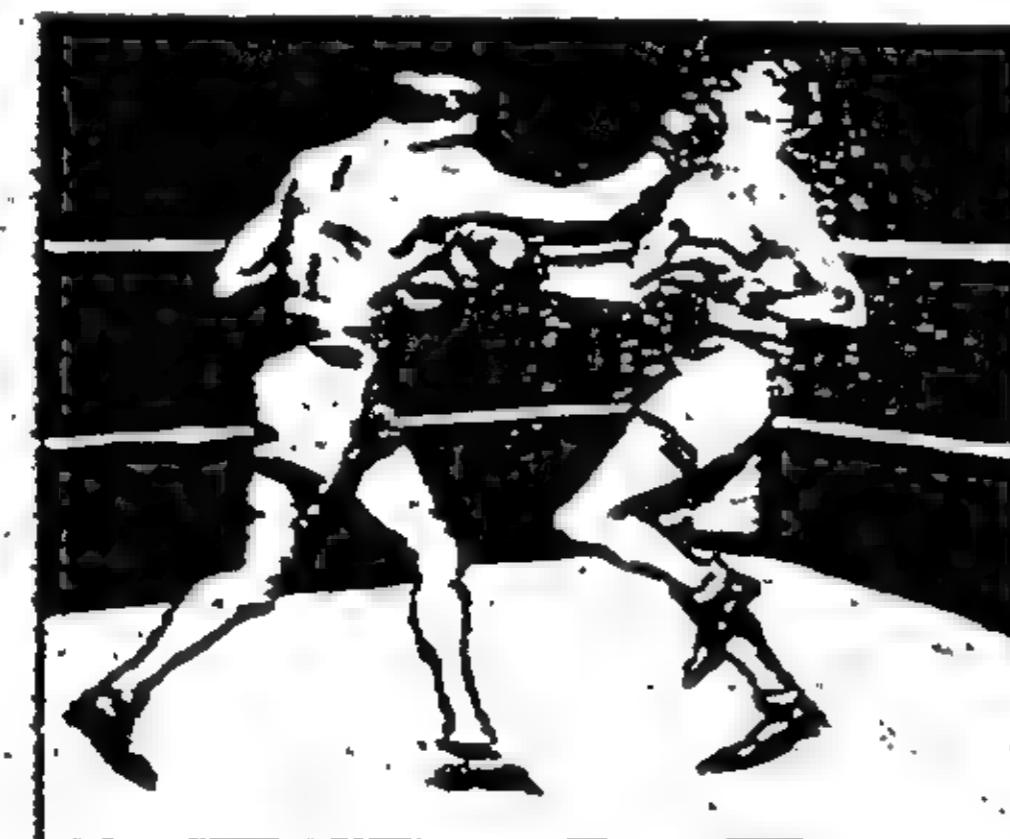
Commencement Bay will be ridden by Mr. S. C. Liang, and Boot Bay by Mr. Black. King's Lead (Mr. Needa) has again to carry 162 lbs., and Bright View will have to shoulder 161 lbs. I think the race will be decided by the ponies I have named, and I am inclined to nominate King's Lead to win, with the other positions open.

BOWLS INTERPORT WITH SHANGHAI?

Association Left With Big Balance PROBABLE COMPOSITION OF THE LEAGUES

THE hope that the Interport bowls matches with Shanghai would be played this year was expressed by Mr. R. Basa, President of the Lawn Bowls Association, at the annual meeting yesterday.

Reviewing the activities during the year, Mr. Basa said the season had been very successful, particularly in the institution of the Third Division, which had been most satisfactory. The only regret was that the game with Shanghai had to be cancelled on account of the hostilities.



ROYAL SCOTS BOXING WIN

Beat Middlesex In Inter-Unit Novices Finals

As expressed by Brigadier Bissett, at the conclusion of Inter-Unit Novices boxing finals, at Murray Barracks, last night, good, keen and interesting boxing had been witnessed. What was lacking in technique was more than compensated for in enthusiasm.

The Royal Scots won the competition by 22 points to 22, which is itself sufficient indication of the keenness with which every bout was fought. In the Middlesex and Royal Scots Regiments, the Colony and Army boxing has found worthy successors to the Royal Ulster Rifles and Welch Fusiliers.

RESULTS

The results were:
Bantam—Bds. Bailey (R. Scots) beat Pte. Panting (M'sex).

1st String Featherweight—Pte. Craie (R. Scots) beat L/Cpl. Collier (M'sex).

2nd String Featherweight—Pte. Todgood (R. Scots) beat Pte. Barrett (M'sex).

1st String Lightweight—Pte. Hobson (M'sex) beat Pte. Robertson (R. Scots).

2nd String Lightweight—Pte. McDonald (R. Scots) beat L/Cpl. Moggeridge (M'sex).

3rd String Lightweight—Pte. Miller (R. Scots) beat Pte. Cheeksfield (M'sex).

2nd String Welterweight—Pte. Eaton (M'sex) beat L/Cpl. Barker (R. Scots).

3rd String Welterweight—Pte. McBain (R. Scots) beat Pte. Howe (M'sex).

4th String Welterweight—Pte. Sharkey (R. Scots) beat L/Cpl. Goodair (M'sex).

1st String Middleweight—L/Cpl. Harris (M'sex) beat Pte. Gibb (R. Scots).

2nd String Middleweight—Dmr. Webster (M'sex) beat L/Cpl. Hintley (R. Scots).

3rd String Middleweight—Pte. Somersby (R. Scots) beat Pte. Fawkes (M'sex).

Lightweight—Pte. Larkin (R. Scots) beat Pte. Fox (M'sex).

Mr. Basa said there was a big balance, due to expenses not being incurred on the Interport.

Officers for the year were elected as follows.—Mr. A. Hyde-Lay (President); Dr. J. S. Smalley (Vice-President); Mr. C. B. Hosking (Secretary), and Mr. L. A. Gutierrez (Treasurer).

LEAGUE ENTRIES

The following Clubs intimated the number of teams they would enter for the Leagues.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, (2); Kowloon Cricket Club, (2); Club de Recreio, (3); Kowloon Tong, (1); Kowloon Football Club, (1); Kowloon Dock, (1); Taikoo, (1); Hong Kong Electric, (1); Indian Recreation Club, (possibly 2); Yacht Club, (1); Hong Kong Football Club, (3); Craigengower, (3); Police, (2).

Closing date for entries is April 2.



It was decided that the question of League trophies be left to the incoming committee, after members had expressed their views as to whether their value should be increased.

DONATION APPROVED

On the recommendation of the committee, it was agreed that \$5 be given to the Children's Playgrounds Association.

Mr. R. E. Maughan was elected captain for matches in England. It was mentioned that 23 members on leave would be willing to play. I was decided to make a grant for the purchase of miniature flags bearing the name of the Association, to be presented to every club members played against.

Kowloon Tong lawns bowlers, who did so well in their debut in the Bowls League last season, are already making preparations for the coming season. Among the many who have been practising regularly are H. Gittins and T. M. Gregory, while a newcomer to the game, P. H. Sin, was also noticed on the green recently.

Catchweight—Pte. Izzard (M'sex) received walk-over from Pte. McNally (R. Scots).

1st String Welterweight—Pte. Murray (M'sex) beat Pte. McGreedy (R. Scots).

FINAL STANDING
R. Scots 23 points; Middlesex 22 points.

SCOTTISH CUP SEMI-FINALS

The following is the revised draw for the semi-finals of the Scottish Cup.

St. Bernard's v. East Fife
(At Tynecastle Park, Edinburgh).

Kilmarnock v. Rangers
(At Hampden Park, Glasgow).

The result of the draw ensures that a Second Division team will contest the final, and Rangers, who have had an unexpectedly bad League season are confidently regarded as eventual winners of the trophy.



"Y" LADIES ROUT C.B.A. IN BRAWN CUP SERIES

Miss Bradbury Scores Four Times

Playing on the Y.M.C.A. ground yesterday, "Y" Ladies beat C.B.A. Ladies by 6 goals to 1 in the Brawn Cup series after leading by three clear goals at the interval.

Scorers for the "Y" were Miss V. Bradbury (4) and Mrs. Williams (2), while Miss E. Woolley netted for the losers.

Outstanding players were Miss P. Everest and Mrs. G. E. Clarke for C.B.A., and Miss Bradbury and Mrs. Williams for the "Y."

I am told that J. T. K. Gilchrist is making his annual appearance in the local hockey world. He will turn out for Scotland in the International Hockey Tournament.

BENNY LYNCH HELD TO DRAW BY PETER KANE

Flyweight Fight Before Big Liverpool Gathering

Liverpool. To-day.

A "Grand National" crowd estimated at 40,000 spectators last night saw a thrilling fight at the Anfield (Liverpool) Football Club's ground, where Benny Lynch, the world flyweight champion, and Peter Kane, fought to a draw over 12 rounds, at catchweights of 8 st. 6 lb.

Lynch, who started as favourite, 5 to 4 on, forfeited \$100 by sealing the weights at 8 st. 7½ lb.

It was a fine clean fight, both boxers punching hard throughout. Lynch narrowly escaped being knocked out in the first round, when the bell saved him after Kane had hit him with a terrific left, the champion staggering and reeling to the ropes.—Reuter.

S. CHINA "B" DEFEAT S. CHINA "A"

Farcical Senior Div. Clash

A farcical football game was witnessed at Caroline Hill yesterday when South China "B" secured both points at the expense of South China "A," by 4 goals to 3 in their First Division clash. Neither team was at full strength, but the "A" line up was almost unrecognisable, seven reserves figuring in various positions, with the result that a most insipid game ensued.

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IRELAND HAVE MANY ENTRIES

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London, March 4.

THE Grand National, which takes place over the Aintree Course, Liverpool to-day, this year lacks the cynical and intelligent Golden Miller, who refused to risk his neck for anybody's money, but it is still the most colourful of English races, not excepting the Derby. Reynoldstown, a dual-winner, is another absentee and the latest reports of Pucka Belle, third last year, are not too encouraging.

HOWEVER, ROYAL MAIL, LAST YEAR'S WINNER, HAS NOW BEEN DECLARED A CERTAIN STARTER AND HE IS JOINT FAVOURITE FOR THE RACE. TRAINED BY IVOR ANTHONY, HE WAS TO HAVE BEEN RIDDEN BY HIS OWNER MR. HUGH LLOYD THOMAS, WHO WAS KILLED IN A RIDING ACCIDENT AT DERBY.

As a result there was considerable uncertainty as to whether Royal Mail would run in the National. This doubt was removed following a consultation between the stable and the relatives of the late owner.

It has not yet been decided whether the horse will be ridden by E. Williams, who won the race on him a year ago, nor has it been decided in whose name he will run.

Royal Mail is the only previous winner of the race who will run this year, and he will have the opportunity of duplicating Reynoldstown's feat of winning in successive years.

FORMER RUNNERS

Eleven horses which ran last year are still in the National field, including Royal Mail, Cooleen, and Pucka Belle, who filled the first three places and Dawmar and Drim, who spent their time at Aintree last March in preventing other horses from filling places.

The other six are Delachance, Drinmore Lad, Flying Minutes, Dideric, Pencaik, and Emancipator. Drinmore Lad and Pucka Belle are doubtful starters. Delachance would probably have been this year's National favourite had he not been rather surprisingly beaten in a three-

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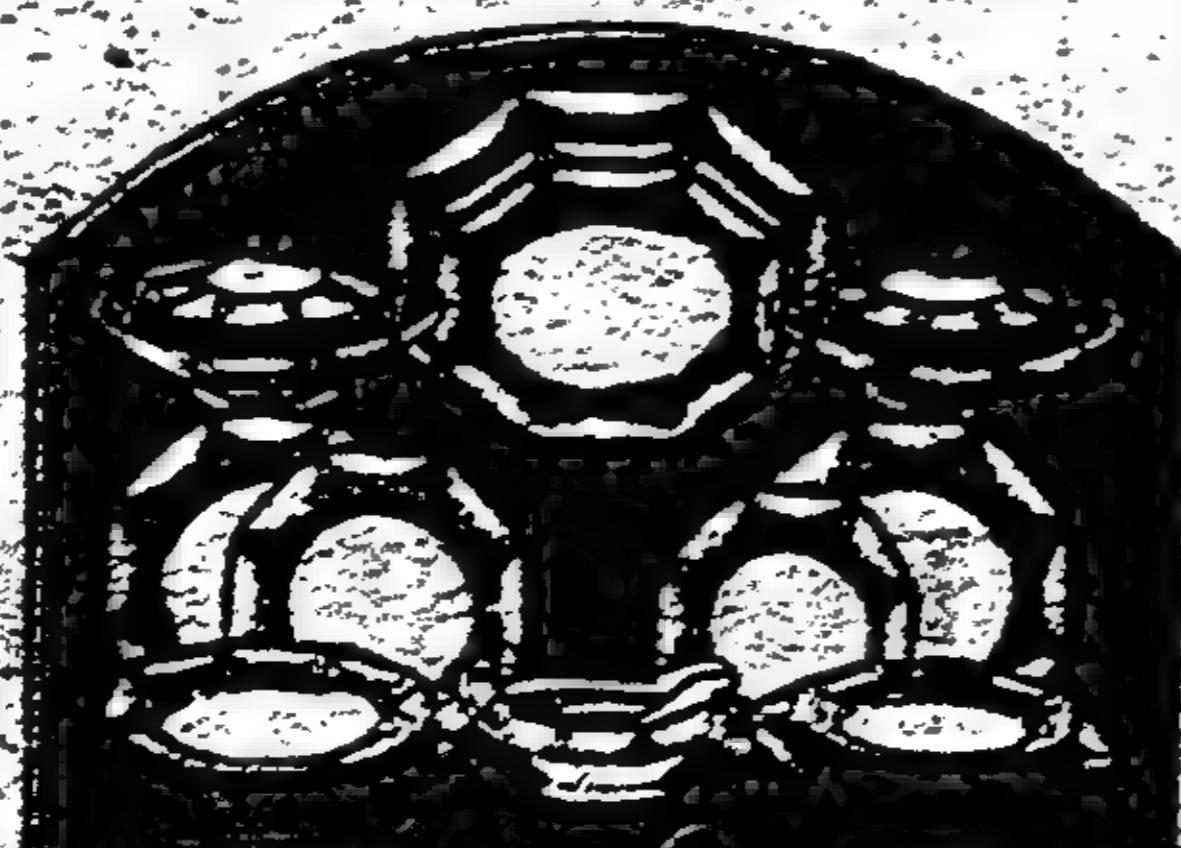
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miles and a quarter steeplechase at Gatwick late last month, by the young horse Red Freeman.

RED FREEMAN

This seven-years-old, owned by Mr. W. U. Goodbody, jumped impeccably at Gatwick and stayed on easily to beat such a great pair as Delachance and Drinmore Lad. He is a certain starter for the National and will be ridden by T. Elder.

As a matter of fact many racing people are convinced that this will be a young horse's year to win the National. A seven-years-old, Blue Shirt, has been made joint favourite for the race on his brilliant showing so far this season.

Though he has never faced the Aintree fences, he is a clear jumper, and in knowledgeable quarters there is a feeling that perhaps the experience fetish for the National has been overrated.

IRISH COMPETITORS

Among the fancied young horses are Airhead Sios, an eight-years-old Irish horse, Dunhill Castle, Flying Minutes,

GREAT JUMPER

Workman is said to be a great jumper in Ireland and is thought to have a good outside chance in the National, although he fell in the Liverpool Grand Sefton 'Chase in November.

Ireland's other representative, Cooleen, was very unlucky at Aintree last year, running second to Royal Mail after having been twice savaged by Dawmar.

She has done nothing startling this season, but as she is being specially trained for Liverpool, her performance over other courses can be practically ignored.

She is in the same stable as Bachelor's Prince and is the better fancied of the pair, though Bachelor's Prince proved himself a Liverpool horse when he finished third to Reynoldstown and Ego in 1936.

THE FRENCH ENTRY

ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING HORSES IN THE RACE IS THE FRENCH ENTRY TAKVOR PACHA. HE IS ONLY SIX YEARS OLD AND WHILE NOTE ON THE IMPOSING LINES OF NATIONAL WINNERS

MANY THINK THAT HE MAY EMULATE THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS FELLOW-FRENCHMAN LUTTEUR III AND WIN THE NATIONAL. THERE IS A LOT OF QUIET CONFIDENCE IN TAKVOR PACHA.

He was narrowly beaten by Drinmore Lad at Newbury, but in the National the invader has a big pull in the weights.

Against Takvor Pacha, it is argued that his rider A. Kalley, has never been over Aintree, but there have been plenty of jockeys who have won the great race the first time out.

An amateur Jack Anthony, when only 26 and with practically no experience of big race riding, rode Glenside first past the post.

George Parfment, on Lutteur III, Bryan Bletsoe on Rubio, General D. G. Campbell, when a subaltern on The Soarer, all won the first time over the course and there have been many other cases.

GAME LITTLE HORSE

Among the experienced horses who have been given a big chance this year is Flying Minutes, who was with the leaders when he fell a few fences from home last season. He is a game little horse, and if he escapes trouble he should play a big part in the race. But he hit himself in exercise recently and is a doubtful starter. If he runs he will again be ridden by young Bruce Hobbs, the 17-years-old jockey, who has no fear whatever of the National fences.

Pucka Belle is another of last season's competitors who, on her last year's third, must be given a chance, if she runs. She has disappointed in her races and has gradually drifted out in the betting, and at Kempton she was injured and is considered a doubtful runner.

A typical Liverpool horse is Inversible, winner of the Grand Sefton "Chase, and the hope of Scotland. He finished fifth to Reynoldstown two years ago, and is in the race this year with 16 st. 10 lbs.

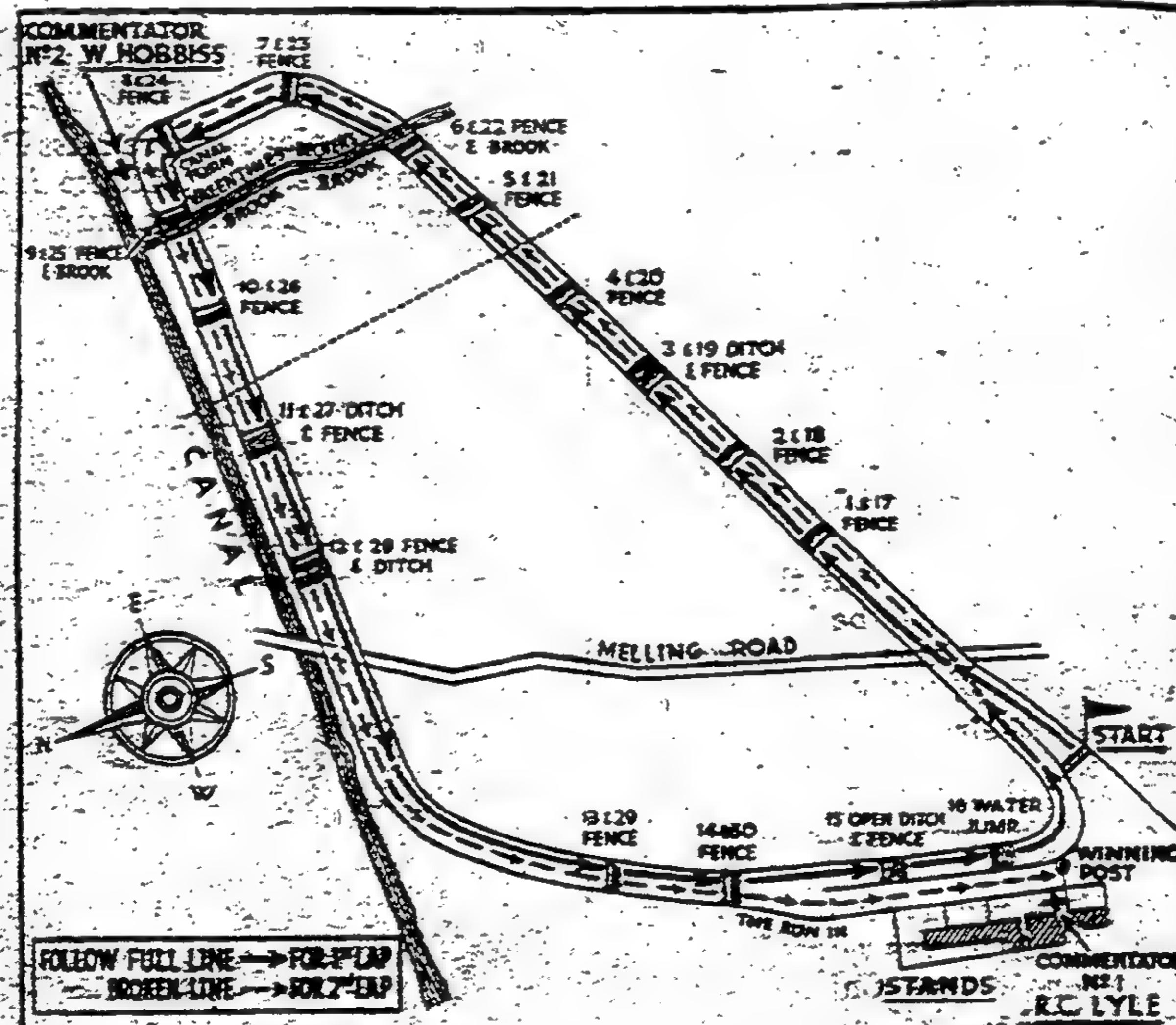
The information about Inversible is that he will take a lot of beating.

NATIONAL LONG-SHOT

Probably one of the most promising long-shots for the race is the hunter Hopeful Hero. He won a good race at Sandown and is being well supported by the hunting fraternity.

Dunhill Castle, an eight-years-old, is one of the latest horses to come into the National picture. His backers were highly elated over his vic-

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Grand National Steeplechase

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tory over that good horse Kellsboro Jack at Newbury, when he carried 10 st. 13 lbs., which is 1 lb. more than he will carry in the National.

Sir Warden Chilcot's gelding has won four of his five races this season, and though some people find fault with his fencing, it remains a fact that he has proved superior, at the weights, to Didoric, who won a good race over 3½ miles at Birmingham this month, beating among others Pontet, Kellsboro Jack, Dawmar and Prominent Lad, and also to Royal Mail and Drimmore Lad.

AGAIN AN ENTRY

The tubed Davy Jones, who nearly brought off a 100-1 chance two years ago and who did not participate last season, is again an entry, together with two other 1936 contenders in Provocative and Inversible, but only the last named is thought to be in the race with any real chance.

With the recent falling from grace of Delachance and Drimmore Lad, the view that the Grand National will be confined to a select few this year needs revision. Not one of the horses already mentioned can be safely discarded.

EVEN MATCHED FIELD

Though there may be more than the usual number of forlorn hopes at Aintree this year, the comparative dearth of great performers means that anything may happen. And even though the field may, perhaps, lack some of the quality of other years, the race will not lack in thrills or interest.

The level quality of the competition to be expected in this year's race may be gathered from the fact that Blue Shirt, who some weeks ago was not even considered seriously, is now co-favourite with Royal Mail for the contest.

The winter season has been one of the most mild for years, and Grand National horses are tolerably



forward for the most part, so that there should be no lack of fitness on the part of the competitors.

UPSET LIKELY

At present there are 13 horses in the race at odds from 100 to 200 to 1, and while it is the usual thing for the Grand National to be won by a fancied horse, it would be less surprising than usual if one of these 'long shots' came home.

It has been ninety-eight years since the institution of this great race, and 'long shots' have figured large in its history. But they provide the exception rather than the rule, and it is to the fancied horses that the victories have usually fallen.

The race is over two circuits — 4 miles 856 yards. The course is perfectly flat all the way, and there are 30 stiff jumps, particulars of which are given below.

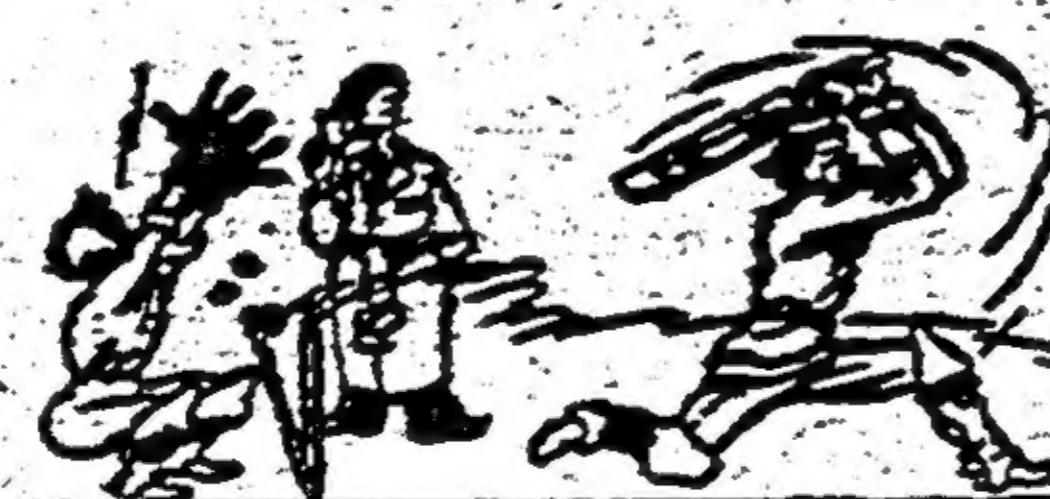
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1 & 17	Thorn fence 4 6
2 & 18	Hurdle 4 6
3 & 19	Fence (fir) and Ditch 6ft wide 5 0
4 & 20	Hurdle 5 0
5 & 21	Hurdle 4 11
6 & 22	Becher's Brook Fence (fir) and Brook 6ft 6in wide 5 0
7 & 23	Hurdle 4 10
8 & 24	Canal Turn Fence (fir) with sharp left turn on landing 5 0
9 & 25	Valentine's Brook Fence (spruce) and Brook 5ft 6in wide 4 11
10 & 26	Hurdle 5 0
11 & 27	Fence (fir) and ditch 6ft wide 5 0
12 & 28	Hurdle and ditch 5ft 6in wide 4 11
13 & 29	Fence (fir) 4 7
14 & 30	Fence (spruce) 4 7
15	Fence (spruce) and Open Ditch 6ft wide 5 2
16	Water Jump 12ft wide and fence (spruce) 2 6

LAST CALL OVER FOR GRAND NATIONAL

London, To-day.

The following is the final call-over for the Grand National Steeplechase, which will take place this afternoon over the Aintree Course, Liverpool:

Blueshirt 100 to 15 t and o.
Cooleen 100 to 12 o, 9 to 1 t.
Delachance 100 to 9 o, 12 to 1 t.
Royal Mail 100 to 7.
Takvor Pacific 18 to 1.
Danhill Castle 20 to 1.
Provocative 25 to 1.
Stalbridge Park 25 to 1.
Airhead Sios 28 to 1.
Bachelor Prince 30 to 1.
Royal Daniels 33 to 1.
Workman 33 to 1.
Dominick's Cross 33 to 1.
Rockwallia 33 to 1.
Red Knight 33 to 1.
Lough Cottage 40 to 1.
Inversible 40 to 1.
Battleship 45 to 1.
Ponted 50 to 1 t and o.
Brighton Cottage 50 to 1 t and o.
Underbill 50 to 1 t and o.
Cabin Fire 50 to 1 t and o.
Didoric 50 to 1 o.
Rock Lad 56 to 1.
Blue Prince 56 to 1.
Tapinois 80 to 1.
Frobisher 100 to 1.
Dawmar 100 to 1.
Prominent Lad 100 to 1.
Hopeful Hump 100 to 1.
What Have You 100 to 1.
K. D. H. 100 to 1.



K.C.C. TEAM TO MEET MIDDLESEX REGT.

The following have been chosen to represent the Kowloon Cricket Club seniors against the Middlesex to-morrow at home at 2 p.m.—F. Goodwin (Capt.), D. J. N. Anderson, K. M. Baxter, R. T. Broadbridge, S. Jex, R. E. Lee, B. D. Lay, T. A. Madar, W. Mulcahy, A. E. Perry, C. B. R. Sargent, Umpire, J. P. Robinson.

I am glad to see that R. M. M. King, of the H.K.C.C. junior eleven, one of the European victims of the smallpox epidemic, has made a complete recovery and is now turning out again regularly.

Charlie and Harry Strange will be sorely missed during the coming lawn bowls season by the Civil Service Cricket Club as they are both proceeding on Home leave shortly.

The Civil Service Cricket Club will be without the services of E. Purvis this lawn bowls season, as he left for Home last Saturday.

J. Teoh, University cricketer, who is an all-round sportsman, was once an inter-State hockey player in Malaya.

Emancipator 100 to 1.
Lazy Loots 100 to 1.
Hurdy-Gurdyman 100 to 1.
Drum 200 to 1 t and o.

AUSTRIA WITHDRAWS FROM EUROPEAN SOCCER SERIES

LATVIA TO BE PROMOTED

be advanced to the finalist position formerly held by Austria, since Latvia formerly occupied third place in the European tournament.—Trans-Ocean.

Berlin. To-day. The Austrian football team will no longer compete in world championship matches, says an announcement here.

Although the International Football Federation has not yet made any statement on the subject, it is taken for granted in German football circles that Austria will not appear in the European finals.

The Latvian Football Federation, as a result, has appealed to

Wong Wing, well-known Chinese water-polo goalkeeper of Mak Ngah Association, sailed to-day for the South Sea Islands, via Manila and Singapore. He has taken up the post of insurance agent for the Asia Life Insurance Company in Batavia.

Having met with considerable success in the different friendly football encounters engaged in since the beginning of the soccer season, Taikoo Dock Chinese Recreation Club are planning to raise a team for the Junior League next year.

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12.00-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
 12.30 p.m.—Sea Shanties.
 The Sailor Likes His Bottle-O;
 Clear The Track Let The Baffling Run (Arr. Terry).
 John Goss And Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.
 Haul Away Joe; What Shall We Do With The Drunken Sailor (Arr. R. R. Terry).
 Fire Down Below; Hullabaloo Bay (Harris).
 John Goss (Baritone) and the Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.
 12.40 p.m.—Harry Roy and His Orchestra.
 1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
 1.03 p.m.—Baie Da Costa at the Piano.
 1.15 p.m.—Reginald Foort (Organ).
 Keep Smiling! (Reginald Foort's Signature Tune).
 The A.B.C. March (Foort and Ferrini).
 Foort at the R.B.C. Theatre Organ.
 "The King Steps Out"—Medley (Kreisler).
 Foort at the Paramount Theatre Organ, London.
 Broadway Melody Of 1938—Selection.
 Foort at the R.B.C. Theatre Organ.
 1.30 p.m.—Renter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
 1.40 p.m.—Gilbert and Sullivan Excerpts.
 "Iolanthe".
 Tripping Hitter, Tripping Thither. Chorus Of Girls.
 Iolanthe! From Thy Dark Exile. Bertha Lewis, Nellie Briercliffe and Chorus of Girls.

BRIDGE NOTES

Bridge Examination

On Wednesday I announced the great Bridge Examination. I pointed out that this test has been scientifically devised to make it easy for every one "to rate himself," and thus determine to which of the following groups of players he belongs:

1. Dub. 2. Weak average. 3. Middle. 4. Post-graduate. 5. Expert. 6. Master.

A word as to the first classification. Included in the dub class are not only those players who have lately taken up bridge, but the perennial dubs, players who may have had years of experience in doing the wrong thing!

Now, as to this examination...

First, I wish to point out emphatically that this is a contract bridge examination, not a quiz based on the Culbertson system, or on any other system. I shall be pains-taking to guard against the use of questions that might give an "edge" to Culbertson players.

The examination will take the form of two questions each day. The correct answers to these questions will be given the next day. I am going to assume at the start that you, dear reader, are a magnificent player, in fact, that you rate 100 per cent. As long as you answer every question correctly you will maintain that rating. But every time you go astray you must deduct the number of points marked next to the question. These will be demerits for poor answers. But don't be discouraged if you make several mistakes and have to take off points for several days running. There also will be rewards for extraordinary brilliance, so that you may earn back some of your lost points and thereby bring your eventual standing up to par. (First two questions will appear to-morrow.)

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Good Morrow, Good Mother Leslie Kuhn and Chorus of Girls.
 Every Bill And Every Measure Bertha Lewis and Mixed Chorus When All Night Long Sydney Granville (Bass).
 1.56 p.m.—Variety Numbers.
 2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
 6.00-7.00 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
 7.00 p.m.—Dance Music.
 7.12 p.m.—Variety Numbers.
 Humorous—John Henry's Glue. John Henry assisted by Gladys Horridge.
 Vocal—A Song Selection. Lys Gauty (In French with Orchestral Accomp.).
 Harmonica Duet—Kronjeng Successen (Arr. Hodder). Italian Favourite (Arr. Hodder).
 The Hodder Orchestra—The Eyes Of The World Are On You (From "London Melody"). Louis Levy and His Gammon British Symphony with orchestra.
 7.35 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
 7.40 p.m.—Shake George Y. Lee (Vocal) and Doreen Lee (Piano).
 8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
 8.03 p.m.—Fritz Kreisler (Violin). Tambourin Chanson (Kreisler). Caprice Viennois (Kreisler). accomps by Franz Bump (Piano).
 8.10 p.m.—London Relay—Food For Thought.
 Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

By ELY CULBERTSON

NORTH	WEST	EAST
S—A Q 3 2	S—K J 9 7	S—10 8
H—A J 10 5 4	H—8	H—K Q 9 7 6 3 2
D—8	D—5 4	D—K 3 2
C—9 5 3	C—K Q J 8 7 6	C—10

SOUTH

S—6 5 4

H—None

D—A Q J 10 9 7 6

C—A 4 2

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 diamond 2 clubs 2 hearts Pass
 3 diamonds Pass 3 spades Pass
 5 diamonds Pass Pass Pass

West opened the club king, and when declarer saw East's ten he dared not delay taking his ace. A spade was led and ruffed. The heart ace was cashed, and a spade discarded. The jack of hearts followed. East covered, and declarer ruffed high, noting that West showed out. Another spade was led to the ace, and the diamond finesse was taken. South won with the diamond jack, cashed the ace, and threw East on lead with the diamond king. East laid down the heart king, and declarer graciously presented him with the trick, discarding a club. East was then forced to lead a heart to dummy's ten, affording declarer another discard.

Declarer's play had been good, but East's had been correspondingly bad. At the point where the heart jack was led from dummy East should not have covered. He could count that his partner, as well as declarer, was out of hearts and would be able to ruff. I grant that it was a tempting cover, on East's part, but had he looked far enough ahead he could have seen what might, and did, develop.

Today's Wireless

Elgar Concerto

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7.40 a.m.—Monkey Wrenches in the Trade Machine—1. A talk by Sir Josiah Stamp.

7.55 a.m.—Dancing Time.

8.40 a.m.—Next Week's Programmes.

8.50 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at

9.00 a.m.—Close Down.

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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. The House in the Country.

11.30 a.m.—Bobby Howell's Orchestra.

12.00 p.m.—Music of Leo Livens.

12.10 p.m.—Food for Thought.

12.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

1.05 p.m.—Topical Talks for Seamen. A monthly programme.

1.20 p.m.—Next Week's Programmes.

1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at

1.45 p.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—

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1.55 p.m.—Opening Announcements.

2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. The BBC Empire Orchestra.

3.00 p.m.—The Grand National. A commentary on the race, from Aintree, Liverpool.

3.30 p.m.—Talk: "America Speaks"—5. A series of talks broadcast from the U.S.A. to the British Empire.

3.50 p.m.—Instrumental Variety.

4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at

4.15 p.m.—Close Down.

4.20 p.m.—Next Week's Programmes.

4.30 p.m.—Delayed Drop. A play by Alan Byrne. Characters: A member of a Flying Club; Captain MacNaughton (Chief Instructor); Bill Storey; David Caruthers; A ground engineer; Barnard.

5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BROADCAST FROM DAVENTRY

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GSD 15.18 Mc/s (19.78 m.)

GSD 11.75 Mc/s (25.53 m.)

GSB 9.51 Mc/s (31.55 m.)

7.00 a.m.—Big Ben. "At the Black Dog."

7.30 a.m.—Ronald Gourley, in Piano forte Improvisations.

7.45 a.m.—Close Down.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE STAR—"Gilded Lily," with Claudette Colbert, Fred MacMurray and Ray Milland. A gay lighted hearted comedy bristling with fresh sallies of wit and crisp fast dialogue.

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AT THE MAJESTIC—"Thunder In The City."—Edward G. Robinson is supported by an exceptionally strong cast headed by Nigel Bruce, Constance Collier, Ralph Richardson, Annie Esmond and Arthur Wontner. This is a smooth and polished picture which gives Mr. Robinson one of his typically dynamic roles.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—"Windjammer", with George O'Brien, and Constance Worth. An adventure romance of the seas with O'Brien in the role of a police officer called upon to serve a subpoena on a millionaire engrossed on winning an important yacht race. O'Brien finds himself an unwilling passenger on the yacht with the millionaire's daughter on board. In a series of events including mutiny, a ship wreck, the crew are saved by a contraband craft smuggling munitions to the Orient, who intend to deliver the millionaire to native bandits for ransom. O'Brien thwarts their plan in an exciting finish.

AT THE KING'S—"52nd Street", with Ian Hunter, Leo Carrillo, Pat Patterson, Zasu Pitts and Kenny Baker. A musical romance filled with melody dances and featured with several song hits.

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AT THE ALHAMBRA—"The Jiv's Secret", with Kent Taylor, Fay Wray and Nan Grey. The story of a man, victim of circumstantial evidence, on trial for his life for murder with the real slayer one of the jury. The manner in which he escapes the chair is revealed in a most unexpected manner after the conclusion of the gripping trial.

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AT THE CENTRAL—"Adorable", with Janet Gaynor and Henry Garat. An old favourite worth seeing again.

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AT THE QUEEN'S—"Wise Girl", with Miriam Hopkins, Fay Milland and Henry Stephens. A fast moving comedy drama, depicting the unique type of romance between a determined young heiress and a poor artist whom with the best intentions in the world, she tries to double-cross, and this serves as the basis of this fast moving story.

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COMPANY MEETINGS

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 28th March, 1938, at Noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1937.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 12th to 28th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1938.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Sixty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the under-signed on TUESDAY, the 29th March, 1938, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1937.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 29th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, March 7th, 1938.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

The Fifty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 31st March, 1938, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th March to 14th April inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers.

Hong Kong, 11th March, 1938.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Thirty-third Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Wednesday, the 6th April, 1938, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1937.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 23rd March to 6th April, 1938, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

General Managers.

Hong Kong, 11th March, 1938.

COMPANY MEETINGS

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 13th APRIL, 1938, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1937, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 26th MARCH to 13th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1938.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 13th APRIL, 1938, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1937, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 26th MARCH to 13th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1938.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 13th APRIL, 1938, at 11.25 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1937, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 26th MARCH to 13th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

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NETHERLANDS CHECK ON REFUGEES

Amsterdam, To-day.
The Netherlands Government has joined several other European countries in taking action to prevent influx of Austrian refugees.

It was announced yesterday that permission to enter the Netherlands will be granted to persons who previously were of Austrian nationality only if they possess a passport valid for at least two months, and also a statement by the German authorities that they are free to return to Germany or Austria.

Applications for permission to sojourn in the Netherlands must possess 500 Austrian schillings or the equivalent, and those wishing to reside in the country permanently must have a fortune of at least 10,000 Dutch gulden.

Special frontier stations have been designated for travellers coming from Austria, and they must enter the Netherlands at these points.—Trans-Ocean.

AUSTRIA CURRENCY STEPS

Vienna, To-day.
The Finance Ministry last night published new foreign currency regulations based, generally, on the same lines as those of the Reich.

NAZIS AND CATHOLICISM IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, To-day.
The election campaign was opened in Austria last night when the Nazi regional leader, Joseph Buerckel, delivered a speech in Vienna.

Denouncing Dr. Schuschnigg for his action, which he called "contemptible treason," Herr Buerckel stated that the decline of Austria under the former Government would now be replaced by economic recovery on a large scale.

Austria, he declared, must catch up with the rest of the Reich economically.

The time of strikes and lockouts had passed, he warned, and all now had to do their bit for the "advancement of the German nation."

NO QUARRELS

Declaring that National-Socialism had no quarrel with the Roman Catholic Church in Austria, the speaker declared that "the Church can proceed with its task of saving Austrian souls, while National-Socialism looks after the material welfare of the people."—Trans-Ocean.

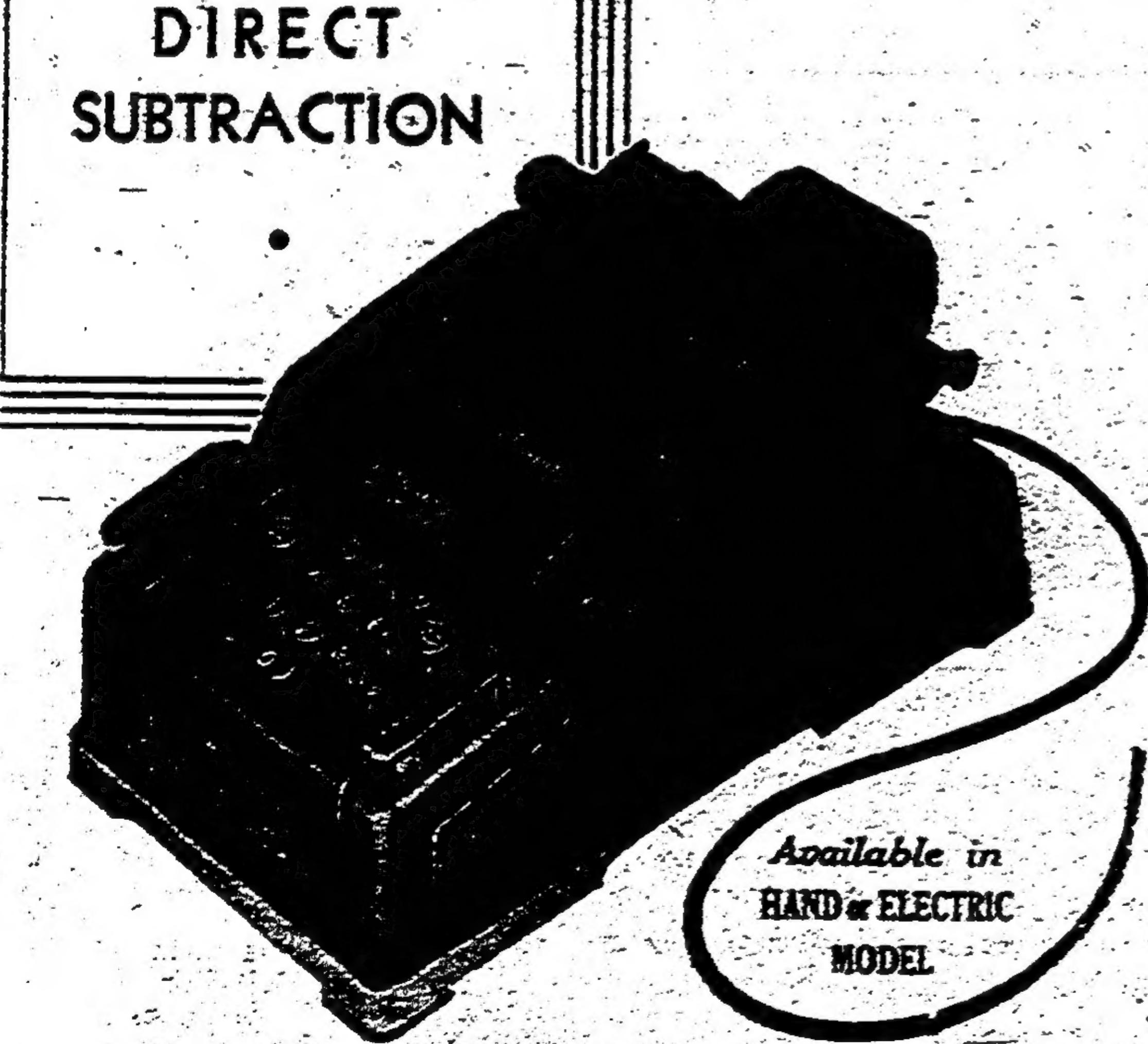
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